

The kids are back at it —
photos and homecoming schedule

There was a lot going on
in Bethel over the sunny weekend

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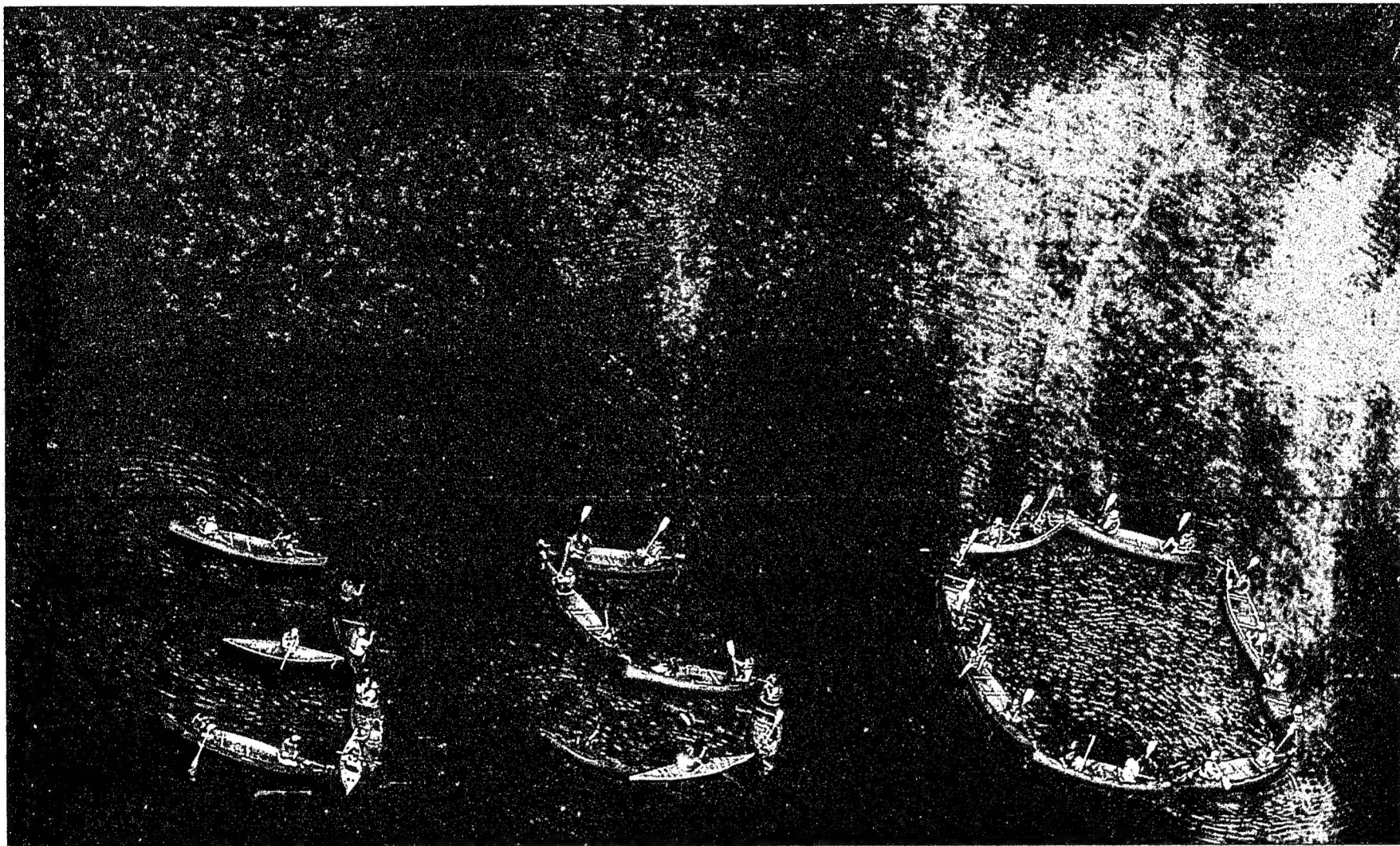
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Local canoeists and kayakers float a global-warming warning



Aloft on ultra-light wings over Songo Pond early Monday evening, photographer Dirk MacKnight captured a small flotilla of local canoes and kayakers forming up to help spread the word about the threat posed by increasing levels of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere. The "350" created by the muscle-powered craft stands for 350 parts per million of CO₂, the maximum level of the gas that the atmosphere can absorb long-term before spiraling into unmanageable global warming. The current level of CO₂ in the atmosphere is approaching 390 ppm, according to Ken Hotopp of the Bethel Outing Club. "Right now there are two major political efforts underway to address the problem," Hotopp said, "passage of a national energy bill (later this year) and approval of an international climate agreement (this winter, in Copenhagen). Our leaders need to know that we want fair and effective climate agreements based upon our best science." The boaters who took part in Monday's flotilla included Outing Club members, students, outfitters, families and other concerned members of the local community. "Locally we do not have any formal organization," Hotopp said. "We are just concerned citizens who participate when we can. Two of our events have been part of 350.org 'actions' to gain the attention of our national leaders, including this latest action on Songo Pond. Technically the 350.org international action day is slated for Oct 24, but we figured sooner was better!"

Biomass report:

Small and local point the way to best future for wood energy in the Mahoosucs

By MICHAEL DANIELS

A new report sets out to document the costs and benefits of a range of wood biomass energy options currently under consideration in western Maine and northern New Hampshire.

Entitled "Wood Energy Options for the Mahoosuc Region: A community wood energy guide," the 46-page report was produced by The Wilderness Society, working on behalf of the Mahoosuc Initiative.

"TWS and the Mahoosuc Initiative, like many, are excited about the potential opportunities for biomass energy in the region," wrote TWS's Jeremy Sheaffer in announcing the report, "but want Mahoosuc Region communities to have a clear idea of both the costs and the benefits of the various potential opportunities."

The report notes that wood can be used to produce energy in the form of heat (or "thermal"), electricity, or liquid fuels, and the market size for

such energy can range from local to global.

Local heat tops the list

But it concludes that when all the cost-benefit trade-offs are factored in, heat is the most efficient of three end-products, and local markets make more economic and environmental sense than international distribution.

"In sum" a five-page executive summary accompanying the report concludes: "thermal uses capture more of the potential energy embodied in

wood than electricity or fuel uses, and small-scale projects generate more local economic and social benefits with lower transport and transmission losses. Small community projects can also be scaled to match the capacity of the local forests. Although wood can be a renewable resource, it is also a limited one. The region's wildlife, waterways, and recreational opportunities are also important to area

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West Bethel mom is battling autism on several fronts

By ALISON ALOISIO

"It's not a jail sentence -- it's a different way of life."

That's the philosophy Tabitha Steward of West Bethel has adopted about autism since learning her 7-year-old son has the condition.

Since his diagnosis two years ago, Steward has been going full speed ahead on two fronts: helping her son and finding ways to support and inform other families touched by autism.

Autism is a developmental disability in which children often have difficulty with social interaction, communication and sensory processing, as well as other problems, causing them to struggle in school.

The severity of the condition can range over a broad spectrum.

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'Not guilty' verdict in West Bethel murder

By DIRK LANGEVELD

Sun Media Wire

Surrounded by high-spirited relatives and friends outside Oxford County Superior Court on Tuesday, Agostino J. Samson enjoyed his first moments out of custody since March.

Samson traded in the suit and tie he wore at the trial for a more casual outfit and went to feel the grass outside the courthouse. Someone brought him a can of soda. He told reporters he would probably go to sleep when he returned home, but he was also considering taking a jog.

After slightly more than a day of deliberations, a jury of eight women and four men

found Samson not guilty of the murder of Scott Libby, a 25-year-old landscaper. The jury also determined that Samson was not guilty of the lesser charge of manslaughter in the case.

"I felt confident," Samson said. "This past week it's been rough, but I felt confident."

The jury began its deliberations late in the afternoon on Monday, following five days of testimony in which Assistant District Attorney Andrew Benson called 21 witnesses and defense lawyer Maurice Porter called 11, including two Maine State Police detectives whom Benson

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Sewer District has bright hopes for black bag

By ALISON ALOISIO

It might look like a giant black pillow, but the staff at the Bethel Wastewater Treatment Plant see it as a possible long-term money saver.

The pillow actually a 75,000-gallon geo-textile bag is part of a system that removes 99 percent of the water from the water/sludge mix produced by the plant.

By wringing out the water first, said superintendent Rob

Gundersen, the BWTP can save many truck trips to another location in town, where the sludge is spread across a field.

Currently BWTP pays to have the water/sludge mix trucked to the field about three times a year, roughly 20 loads at a time, at a combined annual cost of about \$7,500, Gundersen said.

Add to that labor time to lime and otherwise prepare

the material for trucking, he said.

But by first "dewatering" the sludge, the same material can instead be transported in about 15 total truck loads by town dumptruck, said Gundersen.

The condensed form of sludge would also be more economical to deal with at the field site, which is nearing its capacity.

"The sludge site is almost

full," said Gundersen.

There is also potential to compost the sludge.

Composting, he said, would be an environmentally friendly way to spread the material at the field site.

The compost could also be given away. But there would be an additional cost to verify the material was safe to dis-

pende, Gundersen said.

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Letters

WHAT STOP SIGNAL?

To the Editor:

What sort of scurrilous, scum-sucking scalawag would pass a stopped school bus displaying stop signals? Not this scalawag, despite what one may have inferred from last week's police log.

A couple of weeks ago a school bus and I did pass each other on Route 26, I going north and the bus going south, both of us going slowly, and each of us preparing to stop.

In response to the bus' yellow lights I had slowed considerably in anticipation of a red light on the front of the bus or a stop sign jutting out from the left of the bus, at the sight of either of which I was prepared to stop. This is what Maine law, and common sense, both require. If either stop signal was ever displayed, it happened after I had gone by the bus and was no longer involved.

Scott Hynek
Bethel

MASON ST. SIDEWALK UPDATE

To the Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to update citizens on what is happening with the Mason Street sidewalk project.

Although it has been a long time coming, this summer we were finally able to get approval from the Federal Highway Administration, the Maine Department of Transportation, and the State Historical Preservation Office for construction of a sidewalk that is 4 feet wide from the corner of Broad Street and Mason Street for approximately 350 feet and 5 feet wide for the remainder of the length of the sidewalk.

This will allow for the preservation of a 3-foot buffer of grass between the Mason House and the sidewalk. We anticipate final approval from the State by the end of this week so that we can solicit bids the week after. The approach of fall (or is it here already?) may make it difficult to start construction before winter, but we will do our best.

Thank you for your patience with this project; I'm certain that the end result will make it worthwhile. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at the Town Office.

James G. Doar
Town Manager

A RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS

To the Editor:

On Friday, 9/18/09, our beloved beagle, Colby, passed away. We will never forget him, he brought great fun and joy to our lives for 13 years.

We would like to thank the staff at the Bethel Animal Hospital, especially Dr. Julie Schubert, who gave us many additional years with Colby due to her caring and compassion. As anyone who has a pet knows, the end of your little friend's life is heart-breaking and emotional.

While we sat on the porch of the hospital with Colby in my arms, Colby had a very bad seizure. All we could do is hold him tight and sob.

From seemingly out of nowhere, a man came up on the porch, embraced us and offered words of comfort. It all happened so fast we never had the chance to ask his name or thank him for being there. Thank you and God bless you sir, May you be rewarded one-hundred fold for your wonderful random act of kindness.

Joseph Gaidis and Catherine Sangiolo-Gaidis
Woodstock

K-9 CARNIVAL THANKS

To the Editor:

The K-9 Carnival was a huge success. We had awesome weather, good friends, both human and animal and everyone had a wonderful time.

We would like to thank everyone who either volunteered, donated or gave financially for our cause. They are too numerous to mention. We would, however, like to give special thanks to Jim Mann, who went above and beyond. His auctioning powers were superb!

We hope our efforts will help a lot of animals in the area. They certainly deserve it. Thanks again.

Kathy Farren
For the staff at The Bethel Animal Hospital

LIBRARY QUILT RAFFLE THANKS

To the Editor:

The lucky winner of the Bethel Library Quilt Raffle was Jodie Wilson of Bethel.

We wish to thank the Cross Country Quilters for once again making and donating the beautiful quilt.

Our thanks to all those who supported the Bethel Library by buying tickets and the following businesses for selling tickets: Books 'n Things, Bonnama Pottery, Pat's Pizza, Pooh Corner Farm and Riverview.

Caroline V. Gould and Lucia Schwarz
Co-chairmen, Bethel Library Quilt Raffle

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TRIP TO EUROPE UPDATES

To the Editor:

Once again I am planning a trip to Europe with some students from Telstar. We have started fundraising with our first fundraiser taking place this summer. We raffled off \$100 worth of lobster. The winner was Tiffany Colby from West Bethel.

We will be having several fundraisers throughout the year and I would like to thank everyone who has helped these students out or will help in the future. It can be a life-changing experience for a child from rural Maine to see the "wonders" of Europe.

I will never forget my trip as a high school student with Jan Stowell to Mallorca, an island off Spain. It instilled a love of adventure in me that is present still!

Look for our bottle drive which will take place at the Bus Garage, hopefully Columbus Day weekend.

Merrie Lee Ojeda
Telstar instructor

PLEASE RETURN MY PLANT

To the Editor:

My Club is located on Cross Street and I had a large potted plant outside the side door to get some sunshine. I went out one day earlier this month to water it and it was gone!

Would whoever took my plant please return it? It was given to me when I opened the club four years ago and it is special to me. I don't care about knowing who did it, just please return it — thank you.

Ellie Andrews
Ellie's Gym, Bethel

W.P. GRANGE FALL SALE, FLEA MARKET

To the Editor:

West Paris Grange 298 will hold its annual Fall Sale and Flea Market on Oct. 24 at the West Paris Grange Hall on Church Street in West Paris village. The Grange is seeking donations of clean, used but not abused items (no clothing, please) for sale at the Grange table. Please call Nance at 890-6711 or 527-2183.

Also, anyone interested in renting a table, please call Pat at 674-3241.

Grange proceeds from this event help fund their community service activities and assist with the upkeep of the Grange Hall. Hope to see you there on Oct. 24!

Nancy Dewing
Greenwood

'YES' ON ONE

To the Editor:

Like it or not, our nation was established on Biblical teachings. Did you ever stop to think; that if you vote "no" on question 1, you are claiming to be God or better than God. What you are asking mankind, men and women, to do is change the will and testament of God Almighty. God set forth the rules and regulations on marriage way back in the beginning of time. Can I change your will and testament when you are gone? Can I step in and take all of what you have left behind for your family? Do I have the power to change any part of your wishes? Do I have the right to change your rules? Then you can't change God's rules.

You see, Christianity is a way of life. The rules are set by our creator for those who are in His family and no one has a right to change it. So if you don't live by God's rules, the Bible, why would you even want to be married? People have lived together for years outside of marriage and no one has hated them. We don't think it is God's way, but each person has to choose for themselves. Same sex couples have the same options, but they cannot by the definition of marriage be married. God established a helper suitable for a man in the beginning. It is a woman, and He has set forth marriage as between a man and a woman. As a preacher I have been asked by older married couples if it would be alright for them to get a divorce and still live together so they could each get their social security or whatever benefits. If they claim to be children of God, I always tell them no. That is not what a Christian would do.

So God tells me if I am in His family I need to follow His rules. So as a Christian, I must vote "yes" on question 1. Let's not change God's definition of marriage — one man and one woman! If you vote "no," you are telling your kids that God's will and testament does not matter. What will they do about your will and testament when you are no longer here to control it?

I hope all my brothers and sisters in Christ will defend the will of their Father in heaven and stand up for marriage.

May God Bless America.

Keith Hamel
Bethel

'NO' ON ONE

To the Editor:

I strongly support voting "No" on Question No. 1. This will protect Maine's Equality Law that was voted in by our Legislature in the spring of 2009. I have always supported equal rights for everyone. Recently I learned the following facts, which confirmed even more my convictions and has propelled me to write this letter. Here are some basic American rights that Question No. 1 would deprive gay couples the right to:

Social Security benefits, disability benefits, employment benefits, medical benefits, death benefits, family benefits, housing benefits, estate tax benefits, estate planning benefits and many more privileges that accompany a marriage certificate.

When the Legislature passed Maine's Equality law, I was very excited and proud to live in the state of Maine. Mainers value fairness, equality and personal freedom. The Maine Equality Law reflects these values. I urge everyone to vote to preserve this law.

Vote No on question No. 1.

Emily Ecker
Woodstock

HARVEST FEST, CHOWDAH COOK-OFF THANKS

To the Editor:

What a wonderful harvest celebration we enjoyed on Saturday at the 12th annual Bethel Harvest Fest and Chowdah Cook-off! Despite the windy start, the weather was perfect, the crowd was appreciative, the food delicious, and the entertainment was varied and showcased the amazing musical talent we have here in the Bethel area.

So many need to be thanked and deserve to be recognized for their contributions and efforts in making the day a special one. Having an agricultural Presenting Sponsor allowed us to showcase the importance of farming to our local economy. Many thanks to Dave and Pattie McCrum of Sunday River Farms, LLC and County Super Spuds for their support and for having available to the public a display of what food items are produced with their western Maine and Aroostook County crops. A special thanks to the 2009 Miss Potato Blossom Queen, Katelynn Hartt and the 2009 Little Miss Potato Blossom Queen, Taylor Hedrich, for gracing the Common with their presence.

Other sponsors integral to the event success were: Allen's Coffee Brandy who sponsored our music; Oxford Networks who sponsored our horse-drawn wagon rides; Westminster Crackers and Sysco Foodservices of Northern New England who sponsored our Chowdah Fest; Coca Cola of Northern New England who provided the beverages, and Great Brook Preserve who sponsored the chainsaw carving demonstration.

The nine chowdahs were absolutely delicious! Congrats to the Judges' Choice winner, Sudbury Inn; and to the People's Choice winner, Phoenix House and Well. Additional congrats to the Honorable Mention Chowdahs provided by Bethel's Best Pizza Grille & Dairy Bar and Good Food Store. Although the other five chowdahs did not receive any prize recognition, they were amazing. Many thanks to Rooster's Roadhouse, The Bethel Inn Resort, Sunday River Brewing Co., Funky Red Barn, and S.S. Milton for being there and supporting this event. The judges this year were Nancy English, a food columnist for the Portland Press Herald, and Vaughn Stinson, from the Maine Tourism Association. Volunteers to help with the chowdah and chamber booths were: Scott Mills, Jette Black, Michele Peredja, Ross Timberlake, Read Dickinson, Ginny Walker, Rosabelle Tift, Joyce Roma, Rene McGrew, Lisa Lazinsky, Edie Okengui, Joan Westfall, Carole and Michael DelDuca and Kate Carroll.

We had fourteen apple pies entered into the pie contest this year. Many thanks to the Good Food Store for sponsoring this event once again. Congrats to the winners: Barry Hallett of the Funky Red Barn for the Professional division, Betty Gilbert for the Non-traditional apple pie and Darlene Baker for the traditional apple pie. The other pies were enjoyed by all and were contributed by: Ed Kennett, Carol Savage, Elise Caswell, Eileen Meisner, Shawn Malespini, Dara Turgeon, Fred Cosegla, Jessie Seymour, Beverly Sylvester (Sudbury Inn), and Sheila Klatsky. Many thanks to volunteers Rosemary Laban, Delores Cole and Diane King for helping sell, cut and serve the pie slices.

The baked potato booth was new this year, thanks to the efforts of Steve Etheridge and Gary Szpara of the Rooster's Roadhouse and the following volunteers: Susan Isham, Katelynn Hartt, Susan Duplessis, Harry Harding, Chris Garner, Gary Coyne, Bob Westfall, and Alison Aloisio.

The set-up and clean-up for this event is very rigorous. Thanks to the set-up crew: Ed and Mary Jo Kennett, Mike Steven, David Freiday, Jonathan Goldberg, Bill Tout, Joyce Roma and Julia Reuter. The clean-up crew made a tough job much easier. A huge thanks to: Mike Jodrey and the Bethel Firemen, Bruce and Shirley Powell, Dave Freiday, and the hardworking chamber staff members: Rosalie Holliday and Kathy DeGruttola. Others who helped were: Jewell Clark, who coordinated our musical entertainment; Reggie Brown, who lent us his tent; and Gould Academy for the tables, chairs and coffee set-up.

The Victoria Inn & Restaurant was kind enough to offer complimentary lodging and meals to our Chowdah Judge, Nancy English — we'd like to thank them for that. Additional kudos to all the businesses who took the time to build scarecrow displays: Brooks Bros., Linda Clifford Scottish & Irish Merchant, Maine Line Products, Homeslice Pizza, Mahoosuc Realty, Bethel Bicycle, Apple Tree Realty, Viewer's Choice, Bethel Inn Resort and the chamber office.

Robin Zinchuk
Executive Director, Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

Our Back Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Leslie Noyes was presented with a Continuous Membership Certificate from Maine State Grange 145 for 70 years of service.

Physician's Assistant Tony Simpson joined the staff at the Bethel Family Health Center. He also taught courses at Wilderness Medical Associates in Bryant Pond.

Ginger Kelly was appointed as director of development for the Mahoosuc Arts Council.

Births: Patrick Joseph Husk, David Bradbury Hawkes, III, Sierra Lynn Marie Gray, Derick Jay Svach, Deaths: Kathleen A. Ken-nagh, Kameron E. Manjou-rides.

20 years ago: Gould Academy's new international caliber cross-country ski trail was dedicated in honor of former Gould teacher and ski coach Paul Kailey.

Ken Remsen had accepted the position of elementary principal of Pendleton Street and Caprice Street schools in Brewer.

The Bryant Pond Phoebe Company Museum held its annual open house.

Birth: Charles William Rice.

Deaths: Edward L. Peare, Lillian M. Tuell, Hilda C. Anderson.

30 years ago: A record number of alumni returned to the Gould Academy campus for Reunion '79. Willard F. Bean, Class of 1924, received the Alumnus of the Year award.

Dr. John Trinward moved his dental office from the Naimey Block, Main Street, to his home on Vernon Street.

A new fire hydrant was installed on lower Broad Street near the Bethel Library.

40 years ago: Catholic Church Services were being held in the new Our Lady of the Snows Church on Route 26 across from Telstar Regional High School.

State Police troopers and detectives harvested and destroyed some 2,000 marijuana plants found growing wild on a farm on the Middle Intervale road.

Birth: Leslie Michelle Bennett.

Deaths: Llewellyn A. Buck, Archie C. Bell, Chester H. Abbott.

50 years ago: The new Western Auto Associate Store owned by Lloyd Lowell on the Bethel-Locke Mills road opened Sept. 25. The 50x60 foot structure was built by Hank Rolfe and crew.

A first aid course, initiated by Dr. John Trinward, was being held to train ski patrolmen for the Sunday River ski area.

Deaths: Leslie H. Coburn, Mrs. Anna K. Ray.

60 years ago: Sam Smith was winner in a race with a moose near South Bethel when the moose came from the woods and ran beside the car. A bull, cow and calf moose were seen by several in Bethel village one morning.

Grading was nearly completed of the playground at Lovers' Lane.

Sleuth, the bloodhound owned by Albert Grover and Roderick McMillin, was taken to Skowhegan to search for an escaped prisoner.

The Bethel School Survey Committee recommended construction of a four-room schoolhouse.

Death: H. Sidney Jodrey.

70 years ago: The buildings on the Stillman Little-hale place in Ketchum were burned. Household furnishings were mostly saved, but five horses, two cows and two cars were lost.

80 years ago: Over 1,200 people attended Bethel Fair at the old Riverside Park grounds. The event was promoted by Newell Godwin, owner of the grounds.

100 years ago: The Bethel cider mill near the railroad tracks was open for the season.

Bear River Grange at Newry Corner initiated nine new members.

Liberty Holden of Cleveland, Ohio, a Gould's Academy graduate and owner of the Cleveland Plain Dealer, was visiting Bethel.

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Verdict

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had previously questioned. The verdict was announced at about 4 p.m. Tuesday.

Samson, 23, was arrested at his grandmother's home in Windham on March 4, following the discovery of Libby's body on Feb. 20.

Libby was found inside his car, which had been driven onto the railroad tracks off the Barker Road crossing in Bethel and struck by a train around 2:45 a.m.

His death was declared a homicide after an autopsy determined that Libby died of blunt-force trauma and possible strangulation injuries to his head and neck that were inconsistent with the collision.

Prosecutor Benson had argued that Libby met with Samson in the hours before his death to return a watch and bracelet in exchange for repayment of a loan. Benson said the railroad crossing and bloodstains on Westwood Road were close to the Bethel Hostel, where Samson was staying at the time.

He also argued that Libby's DNA was found on the watch, a fingerprint of Samson's was found on a bloodstained exterior door handle to the hostel, and an alcohol swab with Libby's DNA and a minor DNA profile consistent with Samson was found in the hostel's garbage.

Defense lawyer Porter responded that police had not gathered enough evidence to implicate Samson in the crime. He said thousands of people could match the unknown partial profile on the swab, that blood was not confirmed on the watch or the fingerprint.

Porter also criticized the Maine State Police investigation, saying they sought to implicate Samson without considering other suspects.

He said investigators failed to pursue two unknown DNA profiles in Libby's car that were inconsistent with Samson, and also did not thoroughly question other hostel guests or Libby's acquaintances in the Boston area.

Relatives of Samson said after the verdict that they did not feel the state had presented a solid case.

"I kind of felt in my heart that they never had one bit of evidence that was credible that he was up around that scene. Nothing," said Merrill

Laskey, Samson's uncle by marriage. "Some of the other folks were a little bit nervous about it, but I seemed to have a peace about the whole thing."

"We always knew A.J. was innocent," said Samson's father, Agostino Paul Samson.

Samson said he was "blown out of my mind" that he was considered a suspect. He described Libby as a friend and employer.

"I wanted to go to his funeral, but I was told that I couldn't, or shouldn't," Samson said.

He and members of his family expressed their condolences to Libby's family and said they hope that his murderer will be brought to justice.

"It is a tragedy that he's dead, but it is a blessing that the innocence of A.J. Samson has been established," said Donald Larrabee, Samson's grandfather by marriage.

"We really feel for the other family, because they lost their son," said Agostino Paul Samson. "We're in hopes that the state police will get back on their feet, do the correct job, and follow their leads, and find the people who did this murder. We all feel that way, our whole family."

Libby, a graduate of Windham High School and Bentley College, owned a greenhouse and landscaping business in Raymond. He also worked as an accountant with H&R Block and on the weekends as a bartender in Cambridge, Mass.

Libby's mother, Nancy Maynard, and several other family and friends of Libby declined comment as they left the courthouse. The family thanked those who supported them during the trial on a posting on a memorial website.

Joyce Long, minister at the Casco Village Church, said the verdict left family and friends of Libby's family shaky.

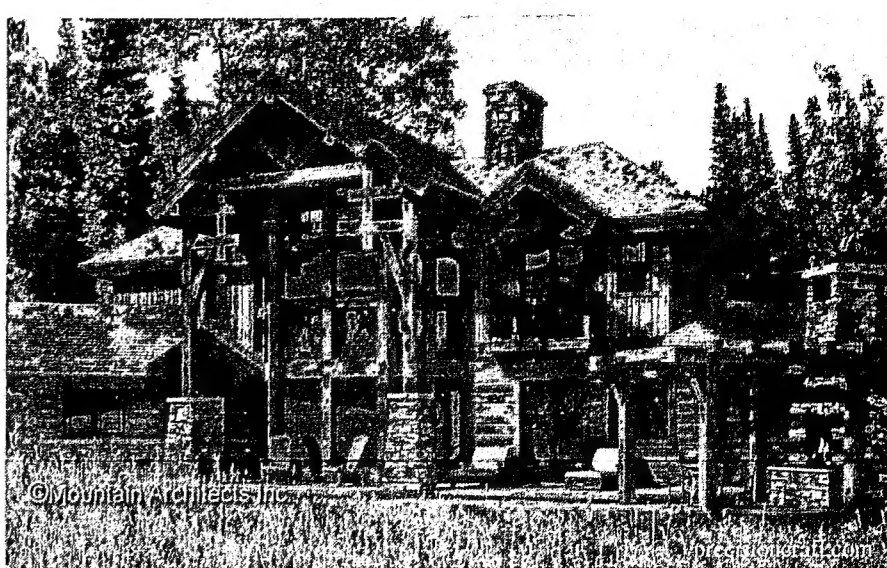
"We just really feel like we've lost," Long said. "Because we've lost him, and now we feel like we've lost an opportunity to feel that justice."

Long described Libby as a loving, generous person with a promising future.

"I don't see how anyone could take his life, because he was so full of life," she said.

MERRILL HILL THE ULTIMATE BACKYARD

Merrill Hill, Sunday River's newest gated neighborhood on 460 acres offers world class amenities at every turn. Imagine your home flanked between Sunday River, Sunday River Golf Club, Ski Trails and Jordan Grand. The general architectural theme and style is best described as a mix between the Grand National Park Lodges "Parkitecture" and smaller scale Adirondack Camps and New England Cottages of the Eastern U.S. Every frontier has a leader and already these "hybrid" mixed media designs are blending with the natural elements on Morganite Way. A family from Vail, Colorado are in the process of completing their home on Morganite.



All of the streets are named for gemstones and now you can claim to your trophy property. Merrill Hill's street Tourmaline Way is geared up for the start of these style homes inspirational in every way. Tourmaline was the first gemstone to be mined in the U.S. by miners other than pre-historic man or Native Americans. Tourmaline mining began at Mt. Mica in 1822. One of the greatest contributors to Oxford County's resources came from Loren B. Merrill producing both gem quality and mineral specimens of tourmaline.

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Briefly

Steel stolen from skatepark site

BETHEL—A 15-foot-long piece of steel was stolen from the site of construction of Bethel's new skateboard park at Davis Park overnight Monday, according to Dave Bean, who is helping to coordinate the project. Worth about \$400, the 60-pound piece is bent in two places for use in the street course portion of the park, he said. Anyone with information about the steel or the theft is asked to contact the Bethel Police Department at 824-3437.

Andover accepts Civil War plaque

ANDOVER—Andover selectmen Tuesday voted to accept the donation of a new Civil War veteran's plaque, according to chair Susan Merrow. The effort is led by Steve Hall, with the help of Robert Spidell, John Fox, Len Greaney and Doris French. New Internet resources and research will compliment the current veterans list, which was prepared by the late Don French. The team is targeting a Memorial Day 2010 completion date. In other business, said Merrow, a vote was taken to accept a \$350 award from Maine Healthy Communities to the Andover Recreation Committee budget for summer programs. The walking program, which is now underway, has more than 25 participants. Anyone interested in participating may contact a Recreation Committee member or the Town Office. Looking ahead, the Selectboard plans to schedule a workshop to discuss ATV road usage.

Telstar seasonal flu clinic date

BETHEL—A seasonal flu clinic is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 6, at the Telstar complex for students in Grades 6 through 12, according to SAD44 school nurse Chris Cole. The clinic will take place in the auditorium from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

New traffic laws in effect

BETHEL—Bethel Police Chief Alan Carr reminds motorists that two new traffic laws took effect on Sept. 12. One requires bicyclists to stop for a school bus that is stopped with lights flashing and loading or unloading students. The cyclist must wait until the bus proceeds or until the driver waves the cyclist on. The second law applies to distracted drivers. If a driver is stopped for a traffic violation that is caused by a distraction such as using a cell phone, reading, combing hair, etc., the driver may now be cited for distracted driving as a separate offense.

CORRECTION

An article in last week's Citizen about Lindsay Bean should have said she moved to Bethel at age 16. She learned trailriding with equestrians Tom Hutchinson and Kathy Brunjes.

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Mom

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Steward's son was not diagnosed until he was 5 years old. "The school picked up on it," she said.

She wishes the condition had been discovered earlier. But now she's making up for lost time.

On learning the diagnosis, Steward went immediately to the Internet to learn as much as she could while she consulted with specialists.

"I wanted to save my son," she said.

She declined recommendations to try medication, and instead employs a "biomedical" diet that she says reduces toxins in the body.

"I believe it's helped him tremendously," she said.

And, Steward said, he's making good gains in school.

Reaching out
There is much discussion as well as controversy about the causes and treatments for autism. But Steward said she's focusing on action to support research to get definitive answers, and to support Maine families with autistic children.

Last year, she attended a conference in Chicago for the "Unlocking Autism" organization.

"I met lots of parents," she said. "It's nice to be with people who know what you're going through."

Besides the emotional toll, said Steward, parents can run into problems getting services and even health insurance for their autistic children.

She returned to Chicago again this year for a convention, working at a booth this time.

But she wanted to bring the support she found there closer to home.

"I wanted to bring some of this to Maine," she said. "I want to empower other parents."

She became the state representative for UA, and this summer helped with an e-mail campaign directed at the White House and Maine congressional representatives.

Last month, Steward met with Rep. Mike Michaud to urge him to support HR 2413, a bill to provide enhanced treatment, support, services, and research for individuals with autism spectrum disorders and their families.

She also came up with a local fundraising project that, she said, UA wants to expand to other states — a motorcycle rally to raise funds for research and support for Maine families.

The event, "Riding for Recovery — Unlocking Autism Across Maine," is tentatively scheduled for Aug. 28, 2010. The daylong ride will start in Lewiston, go through Rangeley and end at Sunday River Ski Resort.

There, a cookout and entertainment are planned, with other activities possibly carrying over to Sunday.

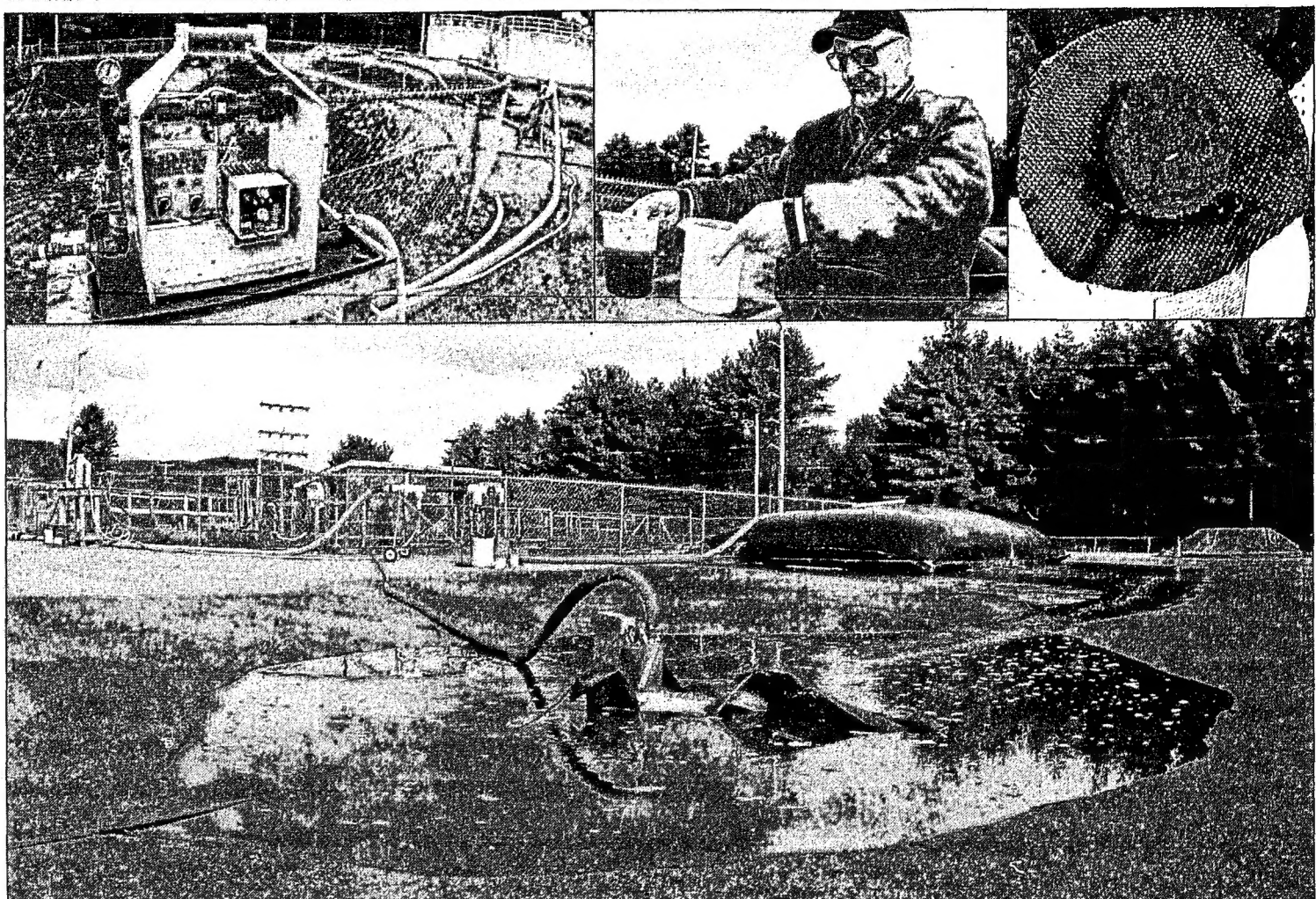
In the meantime, Steward is also organizing a Bethel-based support group. She said she knows of several other local families with autistic children.

Plans include regular meetings with a featured speaker and other information about resources.

For more information call Steward at 836-2055.

Sludge

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BOILING DOWN THE SLUDGE—A bag technology dewatering system was demonstrated last week at the Bethel Wastewater Treatment Plant. A machine (upper left) infuses a chemical polymer into sludge pumped through it from a storage tank. The polymer separates the sludge from the water. The mix continues

into a geotextile bag (center right), where the water leaks out through the fabric and is pumped back into the plant. Inset, center: Frank Grant of Blue River Technologies holds up "before" and "after" containers of liquid. Inset, right: "cakes" of sludge remain after the water is removed. (Photos: A. Aloisio)

Demonstration

Last week, the system's manufacturer, Blue River Technologies of Indiana, came to Bethel to demonstrate the process as part of the current round of sludge removal.

The steps: sludge is pumped out of one of the plant's storage tanks and through a small machine that infuses a chemical polymer into it.

The polymer molecule, said Blue Water salesman Frank Grant, can be compared to a microscopic strand of yarn with small hooks on it that capture the sludge.

That mix then moves on into the geotextile bag.

As the water separates from the sludge, it seeps out through the fabric, collecting on the ground. The water is then pumped back to the plant for processing.

Bethel purchased the geotextile bag for about \$1,000, Gundersen said, to use in the demonstration.

Used bags are periodicaly replaced. But because they

Now that the demonstration has concluded, Gundersen will evaluate it in detail for the town's selectmen.

Other possibilities
Dennis Doyon is in a unique

be a silver lining.

He also hauls septage from private septic systems in town to the BWTP. Currently, processing that material is a breakeven financial arrangement at best for the plant, said Doyon.

With a little tweaking, the bag dewatering system could be adapted to more efficiently process the septage, and turn it into a revenue producer for the BWTP, he said.

That adaptation, in turn, "could make it so they can bring more septage into the plant," Doyon said.

As a result, he said, haulers with material from nearby towns could come to Bethel instead of Rumford or Paris, saving on transportation costs.

"It could be a win-win for everyone," said Doyon.

'It could be a win-win for everyone.'

DENNIS DOYON
Bethel selectman, and private septage hauler

are the same material that is often used under roads, the bags could be recycled as part of town roadwork, he said.

If Bethel were to adopt the bag-technology process on a permanent basis, the setup cost for the equipment would be approximately \$4,500, Gundersen said.

He estimates the system would pay for itself in about two years.

position to consider the new technology.

He's a Bethel selectman, interested in making the town's dollars work more efficiently.

He's also the primary sludge hauler for the treatment plant, and could stand to lose business if a change is made.

While he doesn't like to lose a contract, he said, the town's bottom line is the priority.

And, said Doyon, there may

Energy

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residents and the tourism economy."

Dutch Dresser, of Bethel-based Maine Energy Systems, seconds that view.

MESys, formed in 2007, pioneered the introduction of automatic wood pellet boiler systems and bulk pellet distribution in the United States.

"I found the Executive Summary of 'Wood Energy Options for the Mahoosuc Region' to fairly state my understand-

ing of the issues surrounding the use of regionally harvested wood for energy," Dresser told The Citizen.

"Our (MESys) research supports fully the claims that thermal use of biomass, particularly in modest scale, in relatively small distribution circles is the very best energy use of this valuable renewable resource."

The new report can be found at www.mahoosucinfo.org.

The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

Maybe we have always been an impatient society, but it seems like my parents and their generation were content to let things happen when they happened.

Now we are definitely an impatient bunch and with every advancement of modern technology we have become a society that demands instant gratification.

Maybe it all began with the fast-food restaurants and drive-thru windows or maybe fast-food restaurants and drive-thru windows merely answered the call of "We want it now." Whatever the case, we do want it now and we don't want to wait.

Take convenience stores for example, off-shoots from the Mom and Pop stores where you picked things up to carry you over until you could get to the supermarket. Now it seems that convenience stores have become very inconvenient for our fast-paced lifestyles.

I stop by a convenience store every day and I've noticed that if there is a line of more than five people toes start tapping, people start rocking on the balls of their feet and a lot of sighing is going on.

It's a convenience store for gosh sakes. People are still in and out in less time than it takes to drive to a supermarket, park in a large parking lot and walk all the way into the store. And that doesn't even

count the time it takes to find what you want, check out and walk all the way back to your car. Convenient stores are convenient, but we are such an impatient bunch that we just don't want to wait.

...we do want it now and we don't want to wait...

The other day I had one of my advertising accounts stop by to proof an ad. It certainly was no big deal, all I had to do was find it in my email, open it up and click print. The whole procedure took about 2 minutes at best, but my account and I were both drumming our fingers waiting for the printer to spit out the proof.

As I was drumming my finger thinking the darn printer was taking forever, I reminded myself that it really wasn't all that many years ago that we didn't even get proofs until the next day. Then came fax machines and now the fax machines seem too darn slow and some days the email seems too darri slow.

With email, cell phones, text messaging, drive-thru this and drive-thru that we want instant gratification on everything. I recently heard that there are some places in this country that have drive-thru liquor stores. There's a form of

instant gratification that just plain shouldn't exist.

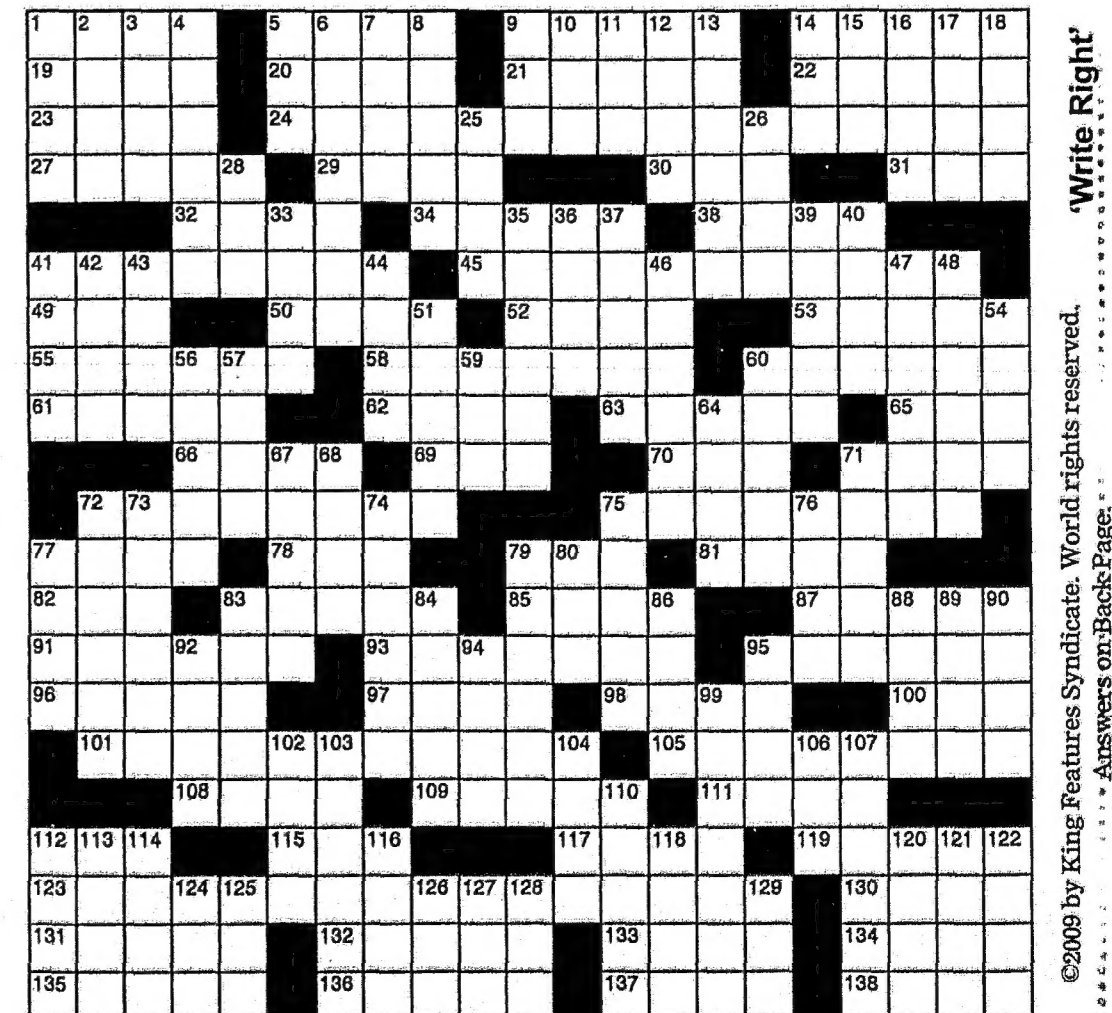
I'm no different than anyone else with the "I want it now" attitude. I feel my blood pressure start to rise if I'm stuck in traffic longer than I think I should be. If I'm stopped at an intersection and can't get into traffic for more than a minute I start looking at my watch and drum the steering wheel. The truth is that even if I'm stuck at an intersection for five minutes it really isn't going to make a darn bit of difference in reaching my destination.

Our quest to make a living and survive in this world today has taken away the precious gift of time. For every advancement with time-saving appliances and technology there are more responsibilities placed on us to use up the time saved.

We need to slow down and smell the proverbial roses. We need to get back to basics and learn how to relax, play with our children, have a real conversation that isn't a text message. We are in such a hurry to live our lives that somewhere along the line we stopped living and learned how to function in over-drive.

I know slowing down is easier said than done, but the way I see it we should make a strong effort to be a little more patient and enjoy life. I think a slower pace of living would be real nice and I want it right now!

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From the Bethel Police Log:

Tuesday, Sept. 22

At 5:50 p.m. Sgt. S.R. White assisted a county deputy on Route 26 with a traffic stop for erratic operation after the vehicle was observed by both officers. The driver had been texting on her phone while driving. She was given a warning.

At 6:10 p.m. Sgt. S.R. White responded to a business for a report of an attempted theft. The employee said he had heard someone opening a package. Because the subject had the item and was not hiding it, he was allowed to leave, but store policy was to report the incident. The suspect was identified and was expected to receive 'no trespassing' paperwork.

Sunday, Sept. 20

At 4:30 p.m. Officer Crystal Aylward responded to Mason Street for arrest a subject at the request of a Lincoln County deputy. Samuel D. Caison, 25, of Whitefield was arrested for violation of protection order and terrorizing.

Friday, Sept. 18

At 2:44 a.m. Officer Mike Grenier responded to Church Street for a noise problem. Spencer Glover, 27, was arrested for disorderly conduct.

Thursday, Sept. 17

At 1:34 p.m. Officer Jason Goff received a report of a suspicious vehicle on the North Road. The caller followed it but was unable to keep up. The vehicle was not currently involved in a crime. The officer searched the immediate area with negative contact.

Bethel



by Donald G. Bennett

Top of the News
The cider Stan Howe was pressing in his barn Saturday on Broad Street as part of the Harvest Fest celebration weekend was definitely the best tasting cider I have ever sipped. He used apples from old trees on his own lot; so there seemed to be nothing special from that standpoint. Maybe it was just the freshness of his cider but it certainly was good.

Laptop Meeting at Telstar
Last Wednesday, Telstar High School's principal and staff held its 6th Annual Parents and Students Night for freshmen. This year laptop orientations for parents and students were included in the program as all high school students will be receiving laptop Macbooks. Those attending received a program, which included names and instructor duties of faculty who make up the freshmen staff. Principal Dan Hart did the welcoming and moderated the session while different members of the staff briefly reviewed what is expected of high school students. The advisor system was explained; each freshman has an assigned advisor through whom the parents communicate with the school on issues and questions. One of the im-

portant topics presented was responsibility for turning in homework assignments and the consequences of failing to do so.

The second laptop meeting was also scheduled for Wednesday evening in the Helen Berry Auditorium and lasted about an hour. A hundred plus parents and students attended. At these meetings Principal Hart, Dean of High School Students Charles Raymond, and District Technology Coordinator Peter Kuzyk were the main presenters. A folder with printed materials and written agreements was available for each parent. In the folder was a student agreement to be signed and witnessed that they had attended a laptop orientation. For everyone at the meeting, discussion outlines were shown power point style on a large screen. Parents are required to attend an orientation and make a deposit payment before the laptop goes to a student. There is a structured set of rules for students pertaining to misuse of their computers that can mount up to use of the computer being denied.

Much of the orientation was devoted to how students should and should not use the Internet. Mr. Raymond led this discussion, which also covered telling parents of websites that provide detailed advice about online safety. A main point of emphasis was the dangers inherent in social networking sites like Facebook. As the old World War II slogan read — "Loose Lips Sink Ships." There is no doubt that by investing in lap-

tops for so many Maine students, the state's educational program can also help many parents to get a "hands on" understanding of what their student is doing. Parents have the right to their child's user name and password.

The school district has detailed rules for handling, storing, charging and taking home the laptops. Basically, at Telstar the student advisor's office is the home port where laptops are kept and charged. Laptops are not allowed in student lockers.

Overall the one-hour orientation seemed to be a very thorough, comprehensive briefing on Internet safety and the pitfalls that wait for students who may venture into illegal or embarrassing forms of on-line behavior.

RE: BWD's Watershed — Humor in 1920 Water Rates

Today's Bethel Water District customers may not be aware that from 1889 to 1968, the town's water system belonged to a private corporation consisting of stockholders and capitalized by the sale of company stock and bonds. However, like today the corporation had to adjust its rates to keep up with its operating expenses. In 1920, the directors needed to increase the company's rates. Here are some of the ways customers were charged for public water:

Livery stables for five horses or less including water for washing carriages — \$12.

For each additional horse — \$1.

Cattle in barns and farm buildings, five head or less — \$5.

5 to 10 head — \$7.50.

10 to 15 head — \$50.

15 and upward — \$25.

Stores, Offices, Shops, Saloons, Dentists and Barbers — \$8.

Each steam or hot water boiler — \$3.

Private dwellings occupied by eight persons or less — \$10.

Two or more families in the same house having separate faucets — Each \$10.

Two or more families in the

same house using same faucet — Each \$6.

Bath, single tub — \$4 and each additional tub — \$2.

Snapshots of Harvest Fest on the Common

Music from the gazebo just before noon fit the occasion to a T. Jewel Clark and Don Katlin were making sure that all the equipment was ready to go. First entertainer that we listened to was Brad Hooper — excellent entertainer.

Next stop was the Sunday River Farms display not far from the gazebo. This is the first time in the history of Bethel's Harvest Fest that a farming enterprise was the major sponsor.

The McCrum family had arranged an interesting layout of their potato farming landscape — both here and in Mars Hill. Granddaughter Taylor Hedrick was busy passing out sample bags of potato chips from both Lays and Cape Cod which Sunday River Farms supplies. By chance I was able to get a photo of John Carter and Patti McCrum when John came to visit their booth.

On their display boards was a sign that said "Farming is the McCrum family tradition." In their website, www.county-superspuds.com, the Company History page begins in 1886 when Lemuel McCrum moved to Mars Hill. If you want to see some really big potato fields, look at their website.

Next stop — Carter's Middle Interval Farm trailer of pumpkins, corn and squash: If I heard John correctly he said that this year their farm had 12 acres in vegetables, six acres in sweet corn. He also raises 140 acres of field corn for cattle feed.

Sunday River Gems with Beth and Charlie Bean were busy with about a dozen "window shoppers" and real buyers.

Next was the woollens booth of Miller Farm, Livermore Falls. Here you found "Oh-Wow, Mittens."

Just a few steps away was Heidi Wilde's Reverse Painting on Glass booth. She is also from Livermore Falls. Most

of her paintings were framed with actual window frames, which fit her style very well.

Across the Common and near the library, Steve Stone drew a sizeable audience who watched him sculpt bears from logs with his chainsaw.

Back to Middle Interval Meeting House and the Society

The next article came in recently as follow-up to the report about the society's meeting on Sept. 10.

Becky Bailey (Rebecca Williamson Carter Bailey) died in 2003. Following her death a bequest of fifty thousand dollars was presented to the Meeting House Society. Since that time, two gentlemen from "the neighborhood" laid out the flower bed and set a design for the beautification of the Common and Meeting House lot. They have and continue to devote much time to this effort. The Society wished to acknowledge the continuing efforts of Messrs. William Kieffer and James May to fulfilling their vision of beautification at the Interval. Donations and dues received by the society since its annual meeting this year have reached nearly \$700.

Next week, this column will summarize how the gift of the Middle Interval Meeting House and lot came about.

The K-9 Carnival at Bethel Animal Hospital

Sunday there was a field day for dogs hosted at the Bethel Animal Hospital and supported by Responsible Pet Care of Oxford Hills along with the Oxford County Animal Response Team and the Oxford County Emergency Management Agency. There were a number of low-key fundraising attractions — silent auc-

tion, Jim Mann, Mt. Mann Jewelers held a live auction, and for real dog lovers — a dog kissing booth. A sign at the dog kissing stand said, "Applying lip gloss. We'll be back soon." Another feature of the midway was the Cat with the Question Mark Tail table. Stars of the afternoon were two Great Dane puppies with their mom and dad.

Touring the West Country

With all this fine weather, it is a really first rate, capital time for a tour of the work on Route 2, the Gilead area and Hastings. It is not too late to say, "Wow!" over the highway driving improvement over Pleasant River in West Bethel. Continuing on westward, it staggers the imagination how much engineering work has gone on already in the rebuilding of Route 2. In Gilead, the new road west will by-pass the Ox-Bow loop in front of the now closed Evans Notch Motel and go directly across Wild River quite near to the railroad bridge. Drive down 113 to see the road work in the Hastings area. I understand that the D.A. Wilson Company was busy there this summer. We enjoyed taking in the sights at the "new" suspension bridge. Finally, a good treasure hunt for those who are so inclined is to look for the remains of the wood alcohol vats which were part of the circa 1900 Hastings mill operation. These vats are not far into the 60-some acres pine plantation that fills the area of the former town of Hastings. A sign on the road marks the location.

(Kathy has read and approved this column - as she always does.)

Wine Tasting Dinner

Friday, September 25 - 6:30PM

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Gilead



by
Lin Chapman

There was a problem last week and my column did not make it into the paper. Alison was nice enough to get it onto the website though. There are a couple of things from last week's column that I will include in this one.

Sept. 17 column

My brother, Steve McLain, stopped by a couple of times this past week to check on me to see how I was doing after having minor surgery on my knee. Each day the knee gets a little better.

Brad McLain left last week to go to Montana. He decided to take a trip to visit his brother, Joe McLain, in Bozeman.

Gladys Taylor called with some news of recent additions to the family. It seems that Raymond Chapman has become a great-grandfather again. Buddy and Samantha Chapman have a new baby boy. Buddy is the son of Bobby Chapman and the grandson of Raymond. The new baby, Joseph David Chapman, was born on Sept. 10 and weighed 6 pounds and 2 ounces.

But that is not all. Bob and Gladys Taylor have their own new great-grandchild. Bob's son, John Taylor, became a grandfather on Sept. 5 when his daughter, Ariel, had a little boy. Little does not describe Damien Taylor, since he weighed 8 pounds and 6 ounces. Congratulations to everyone.

Sept. 24th column

Fall weather is great. I love the nice days and cool nights. We are still picking tomatoes out of our garden. Our granddaughter, Sidney, spent this past weekend with us. She helped Grampa pick a few of the riper ones.

My brother, Steve McLain, stopped by to sign the warrant for the Special Town Meeting that is coming up this weekend. I had put a notice in last week about the meeting, too.

Lise McLain took her father, Gerard Dupont, to Berlin recently. He had a doctor's appointment to go to and then they went to lunch.

Special Town Meeting

There is a Special Town Meeting scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 26 at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall. The warrant was posted at the Town Office, Town Hall and Transfer Station. There are two articles on the warrant. One of them is regarding the Flood Plain Ordinance and the other is about the Transfer Station.

Gilead Historical Society

There have been several people stopping by to look at the schoolhouse in the new location. The annual meeting will be this weekend at 1 p.m. at the Town Hall. We will start out with a potluck lunch. The public is invited to attend. Just bring an item to share. After lunch, we will take a tour of the schoolhouse so we can make better decisions on how to proceed with the renovations. We will have a short business meeting and make plans for next year. There will also be a program on "Memories of Gilead and the Gilead Schoolhouse." If you can't make the meeting and have memories to share, please contact the GHS. We are looking for anything. Any memory you have might seem small to you, but it might fill in an answer to a question we may have about the school.

We recently received a call that was followed up by a note from Eleanor Ames from Mexico. She is one of the little girls in the 1927 picture taken in front of the Gilead Schoolhouse. She remembered going to the school during the time that there were two entrances and the boys went in one door and the girls went in the other. Herb Blake drove the horses to take the children to school. These are great memories that will be documented and kept with the school information.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com.

West Bethel



by
Lorrie Hoeh

There is more color every day, and frosts or near frosts most nights.

The other night we covered beans, melons, and tomatoes,

but the wind removed some of the tarps, so melons and some of the beans were frosted. The cherry tomato plant is still loaded with unripe fruit, and I've picked all the ripe and nearly-ripe ones, as well as some downright green ones, hoping they will ripen indoors. The corn is still okay. Fingers crossed.

We had a guest at our house last week. Mika, Mac and Nancy Davis's little black Lab, stayed with us while Mac and his partner took a group on a canoe trip on the northern lakes, and Nancy visited son Jay and his wife, Julie, in Haverhill, N.H. Nancy had a broken right wrist and would have had difficulty being on her own at home.

Mika is a much smaller dog than Jake, being of the British strain. In fact, she can walk right under Jake without ducking! She is full of energy and runs three miles for every one I walk, but she is a good dog and comes when she is called. More than I can say for most dogs we have owned. Anyway, she is now back in the bosom of her family.

On Sunday we had a family celebration of September birthdays. Daughter Martha's was Sept. 13; her sister, Cyn-dy's, was the 20th; and Cyn-dy's husband, Paul, will have his on Sept. 28. Nine of us had a dinner of baked, stuffed fish, corn-on-the-cob, other fixin's, and of course, chocolate cake with chocolate cream cheese frosting. All three collaborated in blowing out candles, gifts were exchanged, and a good time was had by all.

The Oxford County Fair is now over. We enjoyed our day there last Wednesday when schoolchildren came to the fair for Agricultural Education Day. We were in one of the livestock barns with sheep, goats, rabbits, alpacas, and llamas as we demonstrated hand spinning and knitting. Mo Libby was there with a booth from her Sunday River Alpaca business, including two of her beautiful animals. (And I was spinning some of her alpaca!)

Meanwhile, the Pleasant Valley Grange had two exhibits at the Fair. They earned a third-place ribbon for their agricultural display and a seventh for their domestic arts display. I know that these exhibits represent many hours of work

and preparation, so congratulations on a job well done.

Tonight (Thursday) the Grange will hold a joint meeting with Bear River Grange for installation of officers. Supper will commence at 6, with the business meeting and installation starting around 7.

Debby Luxton sent me a newsy note on Monday. She reports that Pleasant Valley Bible Church is having Dick Schall come to church this Friday evening, the 25th, at 6 for a concert. Debby's dad has been to see this man in Florida a few times, and knew that he tours the Northeast. It is fortunate that the church was able to get him to come, and Debby's father was pleased that it will be while her folks are still here. They will leave to go south this next week.

The Luxtons also had the granddaughters, Regan and Amber, here for the weekend, and Kurt Mason spent the day with them on Sunday. They called the Pastor and Suzanne McNally and their children, and all hiked up to the Wheeler mine. What a gorgeous day!

Luxtons have a litter of chocolate pups that is old enough to leave home and thankfully they are all spoken for so they are leaving, and there will be three more litters due in the next few weeks. Should have yellows, blacks, and fox reds. All that will give David a few sleepless nights. He has been working on getting the porch rebuilt (for the last time!) That will be so nice when it's done. Now that the new road is completed, there will be no more middle-of-the-night crashes into said porch!

Fifteen cents in returnables as of Monday. I'll keep on picking up. I hope you are enjoying the beautiful fall weather (yikes! it really is fall now!). We'll soon be lighting fires in the woodstoves every day. Meanwhile, be in touch with your news and views. Reach me at dhoeh@megalink.net or 836-3011.

East Bethel



by
Nancy Mercer

Alder River Grange will join with Pleasant Valley Grange on Sept. 24 (tonight) for installation of

officers at Pleasant Valley Grange. There will be a supper at 6 p.m. and the meeting at 7 p.m.

On Sept. 15, Barbara Honkala and her sister-in-law, Jinny Hastings of Shelburne, N.H., drove to Boothbay Harbor and spent the afternoon visiting the lovely Maine Botanic Garden. They plan another trip in the spring when the rhododendrons are in bloom.

Alder River Grange has two new members, Bob and Barbara Dion. They had their degree work done at Sabbathday Lake Grange on Sept. 20.

The leaves are beginning to change color. God Bless our Troops.

Andover



by
Melinda Averill

Hello Andover friends. There's a couple of exciting programs

starting up at the library beginning in October. Teen time will start on Thursday, Oct. 1 at 4:30 p.m. and then at the same time on the first Thursday of each month during the school year, for students in grade 6-12. They are invited to get together and chat about what they are reading and what types of reading materials they would like to see at the library.

Starting on Tuesday, Oct. 6, at 10 a.m. and then each Tuesday morning throughout the school year, will be a story time for children ages 3-5. It is the library's goal to show children that the library can be fun as well as to promote literacy. Parents must be in attendance. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to do a craft, please call the library during regular hours.

Recent visitors of Eda Perkins last week was her nephew, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Perkins, from Washington state. Classmates Peg Madigan, Julie Gribbon and Donna Libby visited one afternoon and caught up on what everyone was doing.

Happy birthday wishes this week to Katherine Mills today! Drew Hutchins on the 29th, and Gabe Coolidge on the 30th.

Sympathy is extended to the family of former Andover resident Maurice "Moe" Gagnon, who passed away on Sept. 13 at the Maine Veterans' Home in South Paris. He leaves behind three daughters, Claire Sessions and husband Steve of Andover, Michele Gagnon of Rumford and Valerie Quinn and husband Keith of Ohio; a son, Troy and his wife Kirsten of Orrington; several grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. A Mass of Christian burial was held in

Lisbon Falls.

Next weekend, Oct. 2 and 3, is Telstar Homecoming weekend. Make plans now to join in the festivities to celebrate with the present and former Rebel families. There will be a parade, bonfire, great food, field hockey and soccer games and much more. (Next week I'll have more specific times.)

There will be an informational workshop on Monday evening, Sept. 28, 6 p.m. at the library, on applying for social security.

Arthur and Jeanette Hutchins and Gary Marston and Terry Perry have just recently returned from a trip to the Adirondack Mountains of New York. While there they visited with some friends, Jim and Ellie Hays of Keeseville, N.Y., who were great hosts, and they also made a visit to Fort Ticonderoga to see the fort and a re-enactment of a battle and an encampment. There were many people participating in the encampment from all over the area and as far as Rhode Island. They also went to Plattsburg, N.Y., and took in the sights there where Plattsburg was preparing for an encampment and re-enactment of the Battle of Plattsburg. Gary got to take his first ferry ride over to Burlington, Vt., from Port Kent, N.Y. It is the longest distance for a ride on Lake Champlain. Lake Champlain has there own Loch Ness serpent they call Champ, but they did not get to see him. On the ride home they stopped at a famous tourist trap called The Farmers Daughter; it had the usual but was fun to look in anyway.

Enjoy the weekend.

Upton



by
Laurie Brown

Nov. 14 — Hunters' Breakfast beginning at 4:30 a.m., featuring bacon,

sausage, eggs, homefries, donuts, muffins, biscuits and gravy. \$5 adults, \$3 under 12. Nov. 21 — Hunters' Supper, 5 to 7 p.m., featuring chop suey, roast beef, chili, shepherd's pie, baked beans, rolls, and desserts galore, \$7, and \$5 under 12.

Following the supper there will be an auction for donated services — awesome stuff! More info later. Also, there will be a drawing for a beautiful cable crocheted afghan (made and donated by Marcia Sherman). Tickets are available now from any Ladies Aid member.

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Dec. 12 — beginning at 6 p.m., the annual Christmas program. Details will come later, but you can mark these dates on your calendar!

The library will be opened on Tuesdays only from 1 to 4 p.m., until it gets too cold to be there. Call me at 533-2111 if you want to patronize the library any other times.

CMCC will be vying for the league's baseball championship on Oct. 10 at Hadlock Field in Portland, home of the Sea Dogs. Our son, Ben French, will be playing, so of course we'll be there to support him, the team, and to enjoy the excitement of watching them play at that field. I hope you'll treat yourself to a fun day with us!

Some people pronounce the word "water" as if it were spelled "warter." I pronounce the word as if it were spelled "watah." However literate people pronounce "water" (and other such words containing the letter r), the spelling remains the same. The definition remains the same and is understood. I perceive advertisements for "lobstah," "chowdah," "hosses," "cah" and the like to be an insult to the literacy and intelligence of Mainers. Such advertisements probably attract "flatlanders," my case in point. Misspelled words won't enable people to emulate the manners of expression, inflection, or speech habits typical of the native. Years of living here might, depending on the mindset of the "newcomer."

The leaves are changing and becoming more vibrant every day. Last night we watched a beautiful buck enjoying Joe's and Penny's apples. He didn't mind us watching. Neil, Krys and Jes Bernier spent the weekend with his parents. Let me know if you have some snippets of news to share! Have a wonderful week. Selah.

East Andover



by Joan Stinson-Carney

My condolences to the family and friends of Andover

resident Richard Blodgett who died suddenly on Sept. 11.

My condolences to the family and friends of former East Andover resident Cecelia Bell who died on Sept. 14. Cecelia was a former member of the East Andover Community Club, and when I was young I used to baby sit for her.

Rec Committee member Tina Farrington wants any town members who want reimbursement for GRCC or AYF registrations, to know that they can go to the Town Office, and turn in their receipts to get paid. Do this during regular business hours please.

Librarian Janet Farrington is hosting a public workshop at the library on Tuesday, Sept. 29 at 6 p.m. The workshop is to help people who are applying for Social Security to be able to do it online. I wish that they had that when

I applied for SS, it would have been a lot easier. FMI you can call Janet at 392-4841.

East Andover residents Barbara and Orville Meisner held a family gathering on Labor Day weekend at their camp on Howard Pond. Attending were Marlan and Diane Dymont of Glenburn, Nicholas, Tammy and Dylan Hilton of Sanford and Gary Meisner of Andover. Boating, fishing, hiking up Step Falls and celebrating Tammy's birthday were enjoyed by all. Gary was the champion fisherman. He caught a 14-inch trout.

Janet Meisner and her daughter, Jennifer Seekin, and Jennifer's children spent the weekend visiting Janet's son, Justin Hutchins and family in Rhode Island. They celebrated Brady's third birthday while they were there.

Rally Day at the Calvary Bible Church was a huge success. I hope someone caught Norma and Freeman Farrington racing in the "go cars" on tape. I'd pay to see that!

I'm sorry that I didn't write my column last week, but I had a good excuse. I was in the Boston area attending the funeral of my mother-in-law, Teresa Carney. Teresa was 98 when she died. She was born in County Donegal, Ireland and came to America in the '30s. She was a wonderful person and all of her family will miss her a lot. I know that I will really miss her Irish Soda Bread. She gave me the recipe, but mine never turned out as good as hers.

When you read this, fall will have officially arrived. I hate to see the leaves turning even though they are beautiful. Guess we know what's coming next. I hate, really, really hate snow! I think I'll hitch a ride with Phyllis and Leon Simmons when they head out for Florida.

See 'ya.

Newry



by Sylvia Harrington

On Saturday, the 19th, birthday greetings were extended

to Bea Lowell at her son Frank's home.

On Saturday, I drove up the Branch Road and was able to drive over the bridge. It isn't completed yet but should be soon. On my way back down I stopped to say hello to Frank Lowell Jr., Nicole and Nathalie and finally did meet Mary Ennis. On driving back down just below the bridge I scattered nine turkeys that were foraging on the side of the road.

Saturday evening, the 19th, the Bear River Trading Post's total bear count is 54. Not a very warm day. So with the colder mornings stop by and get a Cameo fleece and warm gloves to keep comfortable with. Now that the BTRP has completed painting the Post they have added a pair of moose horns above the front door. Very attractive. While enjoying a cup of coffee and a snack I noticed a rubber mask on the wall; it is a replica of John Glenn, which is facing the hot dog machine.

Sunday morning I went out on the deck and jumped three deer heading in the Moebus Lane area.

The recent WVSC meeting had many members in attendance. The next meeting will



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be held on Sunday, Oct. 4, at 7 p.m. at the Newry Town Office. The new agenda for the club can be picked up at the Town Office now.

Norm Davis has such delicious acorn squash I had to purchase another one plus an ear of corn. His cucumbers are still available and also very tasty.

Hanover



by Clem Worcester

The Hanover Board of Select Persons met Sept. 15.

Also attending were several members of the Hanover Planning Board who were there to discuss a citizen's complaint. The citizen did not attend the meeting and following discussion the Select Persons voted to take no further action regarding the complaint. The Board also heard reports as to the regular business of the town including the Town Clerk and the Solid Waste and Recycling Board member. Road repair projects on South Shore Road, Davis Road and the Ferry Road and parking lot were discussed with work expected this fall. The Town Office was closed on Wednesday, Sept. 23, to provide elections training for the office staff.

Elizabeth Peacock from Newry has agreed to be the public health nurse for Hanover. Her services will be shared with the town of Newry.

Jim Ray has arrived at the Triple J at Howard Pond after driving from Austin, Texas. Judy will join him on Sept. 29.

Danielle Smith Bruce and Tim Bruce have moved from Hanover to a more southerly location in Maine.

Irv and Barbara Robinson have been part-time residents at Rocky Retreat for a few years. Recently, they announced plans to live at their Howard Pond property. Last week they brought a truckload of items from Maryland.

Hanover never had much of a fire department. There was a trailer with a pump and hose along with some hand tools kept in the fire chief's barn. It usually didn't go to a fire unless someone had a trailer hitch. Hanover voters felt there should be more, so they

approved a sum of money to purchase a fire truck. In April 1959 Hanover purchased a 1934 Reo fire truck from the Middlefield Volunteer Fire Company in Connecticut. After several years of service to Hanover the truck broke when the Clifford Gammon farm burned down. It went to an eternal rest at the junkyard on Morrison Hill in Dixfield. Recently Middlefield was planning a 75th anniversary event for the fire department and went looking for information about its former equipment. A picture of the old fire truck was found and forwarded to the original owners who were very pleased and responded with a copy of the 1959 bill of sale. Further investigations indicated that the fire truck is no longer in existence. Presently the town of Hanover contracts with Rumford Fire Department for fire and rescue services.

West Paris



by Joyce Lamb

Fall is here. The leaves in the swamp at Dead Man's Curve are turning to their fall colors. That is where each fall the leaves turn first. Each morning now it is in the thirties but soon the sun warms us up. Most gardens have been harvested with a lot of freezers full. Some even still can and a lot make jams and jellies. I remember my Mother's cellar shelves were so colorful for she canned all summer for food for the family for the whole winter. I do not remember opening cans from the store for we ate our home-grown foods.

At the West Paris Universalist on Sunday, Sept. 24, at 9 a.m. the Rev. Richard Beal has asked that each bring a visitor and he will have a special service for all. On Monday, the 28th, the ladies group of the church will hold their meeting at Nancy Willard's at 5 p.m. for a potluck supper.

The Oxford County Fair ran a whole week with good weather except for the temperature. The sun kept all warm during the day but the heat left with the setting sun. I worked at

the information booth each afternoon and greeted many people. Senior Citizen Day all were served baked beans, pickles, rolls, coffee and beautiful cakes. The beans were especially tasty. Several nursing homes brought their vans full of residents to enjoy the feast.

On Friday the Cotton Tops were at Mollycodd Restaurant for their early morning refresher after their walk. Those attending were Beverly Stevens, Dede Chase, Maxine Cram, Peg and Joe Perham, Cynthia Lamb, Ruth Hazelton, Sandra Poland, Nancy Willard, and Joyce Lamb. We usually have just coffee and a piece of toast but indulged this morning and most had omelets.

Muffin is back to her old habits and is on the desk making sure I write correctly. She appears to be happy to be back home.

Bryant Pond



by Alice Hoyt

Judith Grover Tent 17 DUVCW met at the home of Sally Sawyer. A picnic was held before the meeting. Twelve members were present. At the meeting it was reported that eight members from our tent attended National Convention, which was held in Portland this year. Maine Department received a certificate for having the most members from their department present at National Convention. Department President Michelle Cary's reception will be Oct. 17 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Grange Hall. The sale held for the monument fund was reported on. Thirty-two calls were reported and Elena Noyes received the mystery package. Next meeting is Oct. 12 at the Grange Hall. After the meeting a flag-retiring ceremony was held.

The Ladies breakfast at Crosstone Restaurant is Saturday, Sept. 26 at 9 a.m. If

you wish to attend call Beth Hoover at 665-2171 so she can have a count by Sept. 21.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15, morning worship at 10:30, evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday at 5:30 is youth group and at 6:30 is prayer meeting.

If anyone has news they would like to have printed in this column please call Alice 665-2460 or write PO Box 105.

The Woodstock Extension group met on Wednesday afternoon for a meeting on American History "Through The Kitchen Door." Next meeting will be a foliage trip.

Historical Society

At the September meeting of the Historical Society "The Year in Video 1990" was shown. The economy, elections, court cases, sports and other developments were presented. Two visitors attended and Annela Burnham was elected as chairman of the board of trustees and Mary Billings as vice-chairman. In October there will be a potluck supper and DVD by missionary Hattie Kneeland will hopefully be seen. All are welcome to attend. Society members are always delighted to see people come to meetings. It brings them fresh perspectives and they enjoy the fellowship.

Curator Larry Billings has given a quick and easy cookbook to the society. He also has brought a large mirror with paintings on the frame, which he will probably give away as a gift to his brother to thank him for the things he does for him.

Waterford



by Rockie Graham

It has been another beautiful week. The sun has shone, the temperature has been moderate and the rain has held off when people had events planned. Now we may receive some rain and it is time. Most of the garden is done, the frost has been here, and it is officially fall. Now we hope all allergens are done for the season, please, I'm tired of sneezing. Anyone trying to plant a winter crop? Maybe they will be more successful than this summer's were.

This past weekend I missed most of the events, but I did manage to attend the vision-

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ing meeting for the Alan Day Community Garden. There were a great group of people from all over and we talked and visioned about the possibilities of the garden, what should be planted and who should do so. It is just a beginning, but it is on its way. That was my event for the weekend.

This weekend will try to attend Common Ground Fair. We had planned on going Friday but that has fallen through and now we have to negotiate about Sunday/Saturday. I hope to make it up there, but I shall see. It is my favorite fair, but I haven't been for several years.

This Thursday, the 24th, Mountain Poets meets at 7 p.m. at Fare Share Commons. All are welcome to share poetry and good fun. Bring your own poems of someone else's.

Friday, the 25th, Pat Gott and artist Brenda Ellis will be at Books N Things at 11 a.m. They will be signing their new book "Horse Tails by Mookie the Mustang."

October will be here next week. It seems too soon. I am not quite ready for that. The days are getting shorter and cooler, but October says cold weather and I am not ready. Guess I have no choice. Time to get our flu shots.

Have a great week and enjoy the beautiful fall weather.

Locke Mills



by Lorraine Larson

I didn't take a look at the Crossword from a couple weeks ago until after I had sent my news for last week or I would have made some snide comment about it in last week's column.

I was amused in a way because all I could think of was that now the powers that be had decided to print the crossword puzzles in computerese. I have some unfathomable documents that look just like it in my computer folder.

The other thought was that I really miss doing the crossword when I don't have it.

They seem to be the only puzzles that make me think, but not so much that I can't usually come up with the answers. Some puzzles would take the mind of a Philadelphia lawyer to come up with the definitions they want and other puzzles are so easy they are no fun. It is very hard to find some of the happy medium ones. Anyway, I took a look at the answers thinking that perhaps I could come up with the definitions working backwards but they were nothing if not consistent and the answers were no more decipherable than the definitions. I hope I will not have to learn a new language in my old age especially one that seems to have more characters than the Chinese and just about as comprehensible. Since I cannot read I wonder if that is the way children view English before they learn it.

My daughter and I were discussing the reading bit for some reason the other day and she said about the same thing, that she could not remember the time she could not read, and seeing she was reading, self-taught, by the time she was five, I can hardly remember either. I know she complained that since I didn't have the time to read to her as much as she wanted she would just have to read the books herself and she did. In fact she could read almost as soon as she could, or would, talk. I know she started to talk pretty much in sentences when she did start, her first being a complaint to her grandmother, when she misplaced a coin she had been given was, "You snatched my dime."

It might have been more annoying to her grandmother if it hadn't been we were both startled that she actually talked. Of course after that we were complaining that she never shut up, but I guess that the same could be said for a lot of us!

Speaking of my daughter, she and husband, Jon, decided to take a trip for their 32nd anniversary present, they were married Sept. 17, 1977, and so came down from Easton and spent the weekend with his brother and wife, Don and Jane Smith, at their home in Jay. They attended their old home church in Wilton on Sunday and enjoyed connecting up with old friends. Mon-

day morning they came down and took me to Norway where I was scheduled to have some blood work done and then we went shopping for a bit. Picked up a bucket of chicken and all the fixings at KFC, called Ralph and Lorene to meet us at home and we had lunch at the picnic table in the backyard. It was nice that we had some weather we could do that; it has been a long time since we used the picnic table!

It had been a long time since I had seen Jon for that matter. He spent a bit of time changing work so he never accumulated any vacation time. Now he is in a job he really likes working in administration at a Veterans' home and I like it now he is no longer a nurse in a psych ward and I don't have to keep spelling psychiatric nurse. He didn't dislike the job it just disappeared when they closed the hospital. At least I no longer run the danger of referring to him as a psychopathic nurse as I did once, to my embarrassment.

But to get back to my story, after visiting for a bit, they took off to head back to Bangor where they planned to spend the night. They were due to arrive back home on Wednesday as they had to pick up their dog, Sadie, at the sitter's. Marcia plans to come back for her annual couple weeks soon, probably the last week in September and the first week in October. She has to fit me in between dental and doctor's appointments, story of my life! Only kidding, we all have to work out schedules of some kind or other.

Last weekend was the 25th anniversary of Praise Assembly of God, and Crystal Lake and I attended the luncheon and the other events scheduled Saturday afternoon into the evening. Rev. Robert Rainville of Rutland, Vt., was the guest speaker. Rev. Rainville is a former pastor of the church. When he came to the church his children were just small, the littlest one was under 2. Now the oldest, Amanda, is married and is a pastor; Emily is spending a year in India, working for a group that rescues young girls from sex slavery; Andrea is also married, and a resident director of girls in a college where she also is pursuing a master's degree in psychology; and Ryan will be graduating this year

from a five-year college course with a degree in electromagnetic engineering. The word is more than I can pronounce much less understand! Even the SpellCheck on the computer challenged my spelling so I looked it up and it is in the dictionary but apparently not in the computer's.

Anyway, it was good to see he and Denise again and catch up on all the news. Pastor Rainville, besides pastoring a church, is also a sectional presbyter for southern Vermont. I am glad they were able to come help us celebrate given their busy schedule. They stayed with Dot and Roger Chopping overnight and joined us for Sunday worship, which was nice.

We have started the fall quarter in Sunday school and our teacher, Mary Thacker, is doing a series called, "Faith in Action" which promises to keep us busy. One of the things I am doing is packaging meat for the food pantry. We are also doing a marriage seminar, which is based on the movie, "FireProof." It is open to anyone who wants to make one's marriage better. The only requirement is that what personal things one hears there is kept there. I figure that is understood but could stand a mention. It is at 5 p.m. on Sunday evenings at the church.

Guess that will do it for this week as I have a doctor's appointment in Norway Friday morning and need to get what I have sent up to the paper tonight. Have a good week and keep the news happening, preferably happy stuff!

From

Mahoosuc Land Trust

The Mahoosuc Land Trust has received a conservation easement on 126 acres of undeveloped woodland off North Road in Shelburne. The easement is the gift of Larry Ely and Ginger Lawson of Falmouth, Maine and Shelburne, N.H.

The purpose of the easement is to protect wildlife habitat and an important wildlife corridor between the White Mountain National Forest to

the south and the Mahoosuc Mountain region to the north. The land may not be subdivided or developed.

The easement was the result of four years of discussions between Ely and Lawson, the Conservation Fund, and the Mahoosuc Land Trust.

A conservation easement is an agreement between the land trust and a family or individual that limits the use of the land. Conservation easements are flexible, permanent, agreements that enable the donor to continue to own, live on and farm, or cut timber on their land. The conditions of the easement remain on the land permanently.

The donation of the easement will help provide part of the funding match for a community effort to protect the Philbrook Farm Inn in Shelburne. It is the oldest continually-owned family inn in the United States. The Conservation Fund successfully applied for funding from the New Hampshire Land and Community Heritage Investment Program to purchase another conservation easement on approximately 700 acres of woodland owned by the inn. The First Mountain easement will qualify as part of the local funding match for the Philbrook Farm Inn easement purchase.

The First Mountain Property includes Joe's Ledges and the summit and south slopes of First Mountain (elevation 1685 feet). The property is a documented travel corridor for bears and other species moving between the White Mountains and the wild lands to the north.

The Mahoosuc Land Trust thanks Larry Ely and Ginger Lawson for their generous gift of this conservation easement. The Land Trust also thanks Nancy Bell of the Conservation Fund for her tireless energy working on the Shelburne Conservation project.

The Mahoosuc Land Trust is celebrating its 20th anniversary as a community land trust encouraging public interest in conservation in central Oxford County, Maine and eastern Coos County, N.H., supporting a balance of growth and preservation and emphasizing sustainable and traditional land uses. For more information visit www.mahoosuc.org or call 824-3806.

From

Upper Andro Two Fly Contest

Tyler Cote of Monmouth was the first-place winner in the Third Annual Upper Andro Two Fly Contest held Saturday, Sept. 19, on the Upper Androscoggin River between New Hampshire and Rumford.

Tyler tied for first place in the biggest fish category with Brad Jerome of Newry. Both anglers caught a 14-inch rainbow trout.

There was a tie for second place between Kevin McKay of Brewer, Maine and Charlie Lowe of Twin Mountain, N.H., with 13½-inch rainbows. Chad Hughes of Camden, Scott Overbey of Brunswick and Mitch Cummings of Bethel each caught a 13-inch rainbow for third-place honors.

The largest catch was also won by Cote with 12 fish, ten rainbows, a brown and brook trout.

Second place went to Overbey with a catch of nine rainbows and third place to Lowe with four rainbows, a brook and brown trout.

The Rocky Freda Turtle Water Team Trophy was presented to the Patagonia/Wild River Angler team who caught 21 fish.

Thirteen teams entered the competition. Each team made up of two anglers and a drift boat oarsman, fished with the use of only two flies from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. All fish were caught, recorded and released.

Along with the trophies, merchandise prizes from Orvis, L.L. Bean, Kittery Trading Post and Patagonia were presented to the winners. Three anglers who were unable to catch any fish received a new set of flies from Selene Dumaine of Merrymeeting Fly Shop in Brunswick.

The annual event is a fundraiser for the Upper Andro Anglers Alliance.

The nonprofit group, based in Bethel, is dedicated to conserving, protecting, restoring and promoting the natural resources relating to the Upper Androscoggin River, its tributaries, watershed and environs.

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From Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center

William Weston's ca. 1880 barn in Rumford was selected for the 2009 Historic Preservation Award, which was presented at the Bethel Historical Society's 43rd annual meeting last week. A large three-story barn with an elaborate cupola, it was one of ten barns listed on the 2009 Bethel Historical Society Barn Tour on Saturday, Sept. 19, that brought people from as far away as Ireland. Another barn featured in the tour was the circa 1845 "New England" barn, also in Rumford, owned by the Abbott family for generations. Other barns of interest were the 1850s English barn owned by Ernest Angevine on the North Road in Bethel, the early 19th century Haines barn in East Bethel owned by Peter Haines, the mid-19th century Kimball/Mills/Marshall barn in Middle Intervale, the 1850s Rowe/Ames/Taylor barn on Broad Street. Also on Broad Street were the Dr. Moses Mason barn of 1813 and the 1820s Hastings Homestead barn, where fresh cider was being pressed.

One 2009 Barn Tour participant from Hull, Mass., made the following commentary about her experience:

"To the Bethel Historical Society and all the barn owners of the 2009 tour, I wanted to let you know how much I enjoyed my first barn tour. The weather was perfect and the people were friendly and informative. Combined with the wonderful fair in town, it was a great day in Maine for me and two companions that I talked into joining me for the tour. The only barn we didn't get to was the Angevine barn on North Road, sorry for us. Some of the highlights of the tour were the great tour guides at the Dr. Moses Mason barn, the yummy homemade cider at the Hastings Homestead barn, the beautiful garden at the Rowe/Ames/Taylor barn, the family of mice who welcomed us to the Kimball/Mills/Marshall barn, the incredible tractors at the Haines barn, the impressive restoration in progress of the Weston barn and breathtaking view from the cupola and the friendly and personable guide at the grand Abbott barn combined with the gorgeous bouquets, giving the barn the special treatment that it truly deserved. We met many charming hosts and fellow barn lovers while visiting some beautiful properties that took us back in time and reminded us that history can be fun and is an important part of

our past, present and future. Needless to say, all three of us look forward to the next tour. Thank you!"

Much appreciation is extended to all those who opened their barns for the tour and for all the volunteers who helped make it possible, including Sylvia Clanton, Walter Hatch, Susan Herlihy and June Abbott who sold tickets. Jane Hosterman, Amy Davis, Ginger Kelly, Annie Hastings, Sally Taylor, Dot Bartlett, Ernest Angevine, Rodney Harrington, Sue Fiske, Pat Carter, Alden Kenney, Jane Payne and Bettyann Hastings served as hosts and hostesses at the various barns. Stan Howe pressed cider with apples grown in the back yard of the Dr. Mason House and everyone taking the tour was invited to sample the product.

A Grange supper at Alder River Grange 145 at East Bethel in the evening was followed by a lecture by Stanley R. Howe, Maine State Grange Historian and executive director of the Bethel Historical Society. Howe spoke on Maine Grange Halls in the meeting room of the Dr. Moses Mason House, making the point that the design of and operations in many Maine barns may have been influenced by discussions at meetings in Grange halls. Farmers were often trying to make their barns more efficient and sometimes ideas on improvement were heard at Grange meetings and gatherings.

Smithsonian Magazine Museum Day to be observed

On Saturday, Sept. 26, 2009, the Bethel Historical Society will participate in the fifth annual Museum Day, presented by Smithsonian magazine. A celebration of culture, learning and the dissemination of knowledge, Smithsonian's Museum Day reflects the spirit of the magazine, and emulates the free admission policy of the Smithsonian Institution's Washington, D.C.-based properties.

In 2008, upwards of 200,000 people attended Museum Day, with all fifty states plus Puerto Rico represented by over nine hundred museums, including eighty-four Smithsonian affiliate museums. This year the magazine expects to attract over one thousand museums.

"Museum Day offers an opportunity to celebrate all we have to offer here in Bethel with our period house museum, exhibits and historical film presentations among other attractions," said Stanley R. Howe, executive director. "We hope that this participation will attract new people to come and gain insights into life in western Maine and northern New Hamp-

shire — right here in the center of northern New England," Howe added.

The Bethel Historical Society will be open on this Saturday, Sept. 26, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There is no admission charge to the society's O'Neil Robinson House, but for free admission to the Dr. Moses Mason House Museum, attendees will present the Museum Day Admission Card to the guide at the museum. Visit www.smithsonian.com/museumday to download the card or find it in the September 2009 issue of Smithsonian. Each card provides museum access for two people, and one admission card per household. Listings and links to participating museums' and sponsors' sites can also be found on the website listed above.

At 2 p.m. in anticipation of a ski exhibit opening in November at the society, Scott Andrews, a Portland-based ski journalist and board member of the Ski Museum of Maine, will present a free illustrated talk tracing the history of skiing in Maine from its origins as basic winter transportation in Aroostook County's Swedish Settlement to present-day happenings all over the state. In the early 20th century, skiing evolved into a sport and by the late 1960s, it was one of the most popular recreational activities in Maine.

From Mahoosuc Arts Council

Mahoosuc Arts Council (MAC) is pleased to announce the outstanding lineup of the 2009-2010 Gould Performing Arts Series which will kick off Oct. 15 at Bingham Auditorium, with C'est Si Bon, a French musical ensemble which captures the true essence of French classics while adding a rich jazz dimension.

In addition, the MAC will host Fusionworks Dance Company on Jan. 7, 2010 and Viva Quetzal, a traditional Andean musical ensemble on April 8, 2010. All performances are held at Bingham Auditorium, at 45 Church Street, on the Gould Academy campus in Bethel. This series is generously funded and supported in part by Gould Academy.

C'est Si Bon is a jazz quintet — made up entirely of alumni of the Berklee College of Music in Boston — which expresses the fun and the drama of the most beautiful French chansons through a great level of musicianship and instrumental virtuosity. This group integrates a wide variety of styles such as valse musette, java, foxtrot, paso doble (originally from Spain), gypsy jazz, as well as French realistic songs, plus some of their own



WMSC CHORUS - A highlight of the recent Western Mountains Senior College seventh annual meeting was "Name that Tune" with Lynn Arizzi on piano and singing led by Nancy Davis and Roberta Taylor.

original songs characterized by World Fusion beats and improvisation.

Fusionworks Dance Company is known for its gutsy, striking and provocative interpretation of work from an impressive lineup of contemporary choreographers, including award-winning choreographer and artistic director Deb Meunier. The dancers of the six-member troupe each bring intelligence, humor and collaboration to their performances which range in mood, influence and energy, as well as dance techniques. As the name implies, this group infuses a variety of dance elements from classical ballet to modern dance which easily enables both the uninitiated to modern dance to the "dance aficionado" to deeply appreciate the talent and vision of this unique group.

The music of the exuberant Viva Quetzal reflects the rhythms and melodies of the Andean region of Bolivia, Venezuelan Golpe Tucuyano and Ecuadorian Sanjuanito beats. Elements of jazz and rock are also infused in their multi-cultural music. Viva Quetzal's mission is to increase multi-cultural awareness and promote harmony through the exploration and coupling of traditional South

The 50/50 raffle was won by Doris Fraser who also won the door prize.

The next meeting will be Oct. 14 at 11 a.m. at Pleasant Valley Grange Hall in West Bethel. This will be a show and tell program. Members will bring handwork, hobbies, or whatever they are interested in, to share with other members. Price of dinner is \$8.

President Nancy Mercer had several different brochures of places of interest to discuss for a trip next year.

Due to a conflict in his schedule the speaker, Rodney Abbott, was unable to attend; he called Nancy and apologized and would like to come another time.

Humorous readings were done by Florence Merrill, Barbara Mahler and Nancy Mercer.

Caroline Gould passed out information to some members who were interested in going to the Aging-well Living-well Expo being held at Sunday River Oct. 2.

The November meeting will not be held at the Legion Hall in Locke Mills due to the Veteran's Day program. The club will meet at Crossstone Restaurant in Woodstock, next to Mollycodd Motel at 11 a.m. The dinner will be a chicken dinner at \$8.

September birthdays are: Carol Brearley, Studie Cross, Beatrice Lowell, Shirley Lowell, Doris Mills and Hugh Swan.

From Western Mountains Senior College

Gil Whitman, owner of The Gil Whitman Gallery in Bry-

ant Pond, will be featured at the first fall meeting of Down Home Maine on Thursday, Oct. 1, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the Bethel Congregational Church. Gil's talk will be about "A Sculptor's Life — A work in Progress." You're invited to come and learn about and observe samples of both traditional and unique sculpture and public art installations.

Gil had been a serious artist since 1964 when he opened a gallery and workshop at North Edgcomb, Maine, prior to setting up his gallery in Bryant Pond.

He has earned a reputation as one of Maine's finest craftsmen and his sculpture has been well received throughout the country. Gil is best known for a major work commissioned by the Philadelphia Flyers Hockey Club. The twenty foot-high sculpture in bronze of two hockey players in a dynamic action pose was the Flyer's gift to the city of Philadelphia.

However, Gil has sculptured works in every medium from tiny wildflowers to giant abstractions. He has a distinctive style that is truly unique.

Be sure to join us for the first Down Home Maine of the fall season and enjoy talking with this famous artist and seeing samples of his unique work.

The program is open to the public without charge. Light refreshments will be served. Donations will be accepted to offset senior college expenses.

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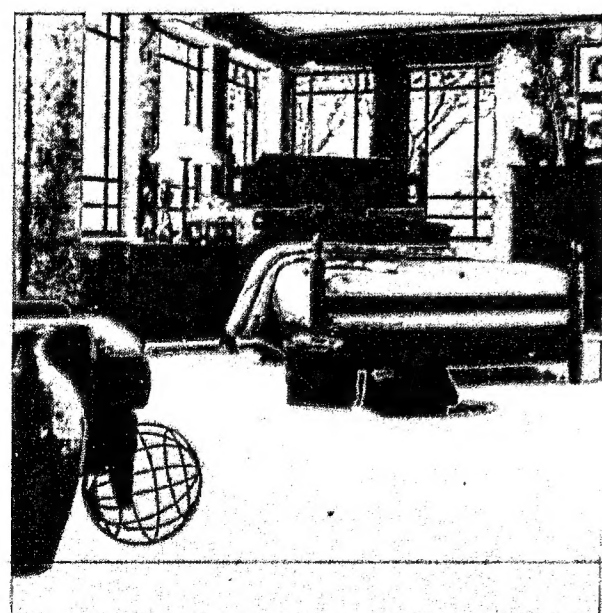
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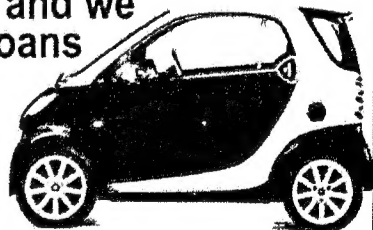
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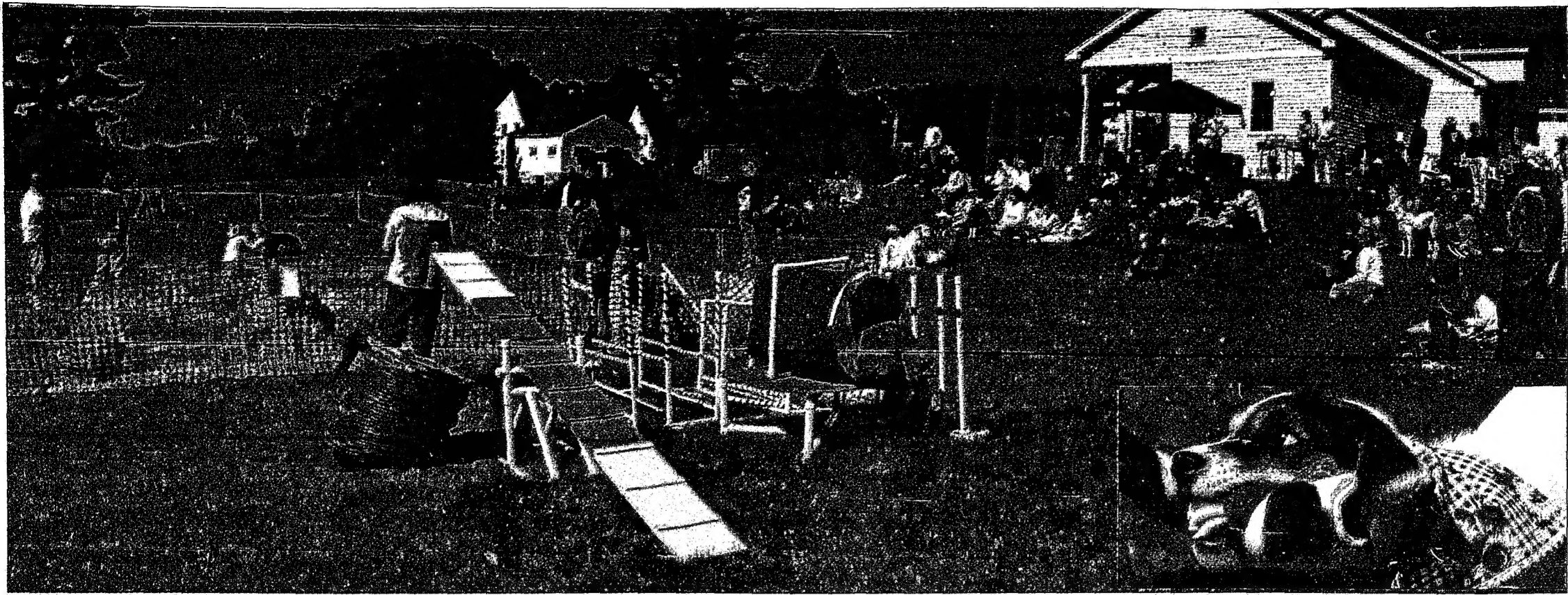


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From North Country Veterans Conference

The North Country Veterans Conference is coming to Gorham, N.H., on Friday, Oct. 2, at the Gorham American Legion.

This conference is open to all veterans, service members and their families, as well as military and civilian agencies, legislators, community advocates and anyone who wants to learn more about veteran resources and supports in the North Country.

This first-time conference will include a keynote presentation from Major General William Reddel III, Adjutant General for the NH National Guard.

The NH National Guard is preparing for its largest deployment in the history of the NH National Guard, and this conference will help educate individuals on the roles and responsibilities of the National Guard, as well as what the NH National Guard looks like in our state.

Dr. Andrew Pomerantz, director of Mental Health Services from the White River Junction VA Medical Center will provide an overview of

mental health services in the North Country, as well as take any questions from the audience.

Other presentations and panel discussions will be included from the Berlin Vet Center, N.H. Veterans Home, Northern Human Services, State Veterans Council, Tri County CAP, Family Resource Center, WRJ VA Medical Center and the National Guard.

During the registration period and lunch, attendees will have an opportunity to tour the Mobile Vet Center, which will be located in the parking lot of the Gorham American Legion.

This 39-foot motor coach, with space for confidential counseling, carries Vet Center counselors and outreach workers to provide non-medical readjustment counseling, addressing the social and economic dimensions of post-war needs.

The Berlin Vet Center, Gorham American Legion, Long Term Care Partners, NH Department of Health and Human Services, NH Health Care Association and White River Junction VA Medical Center are partnering together to present this conference.

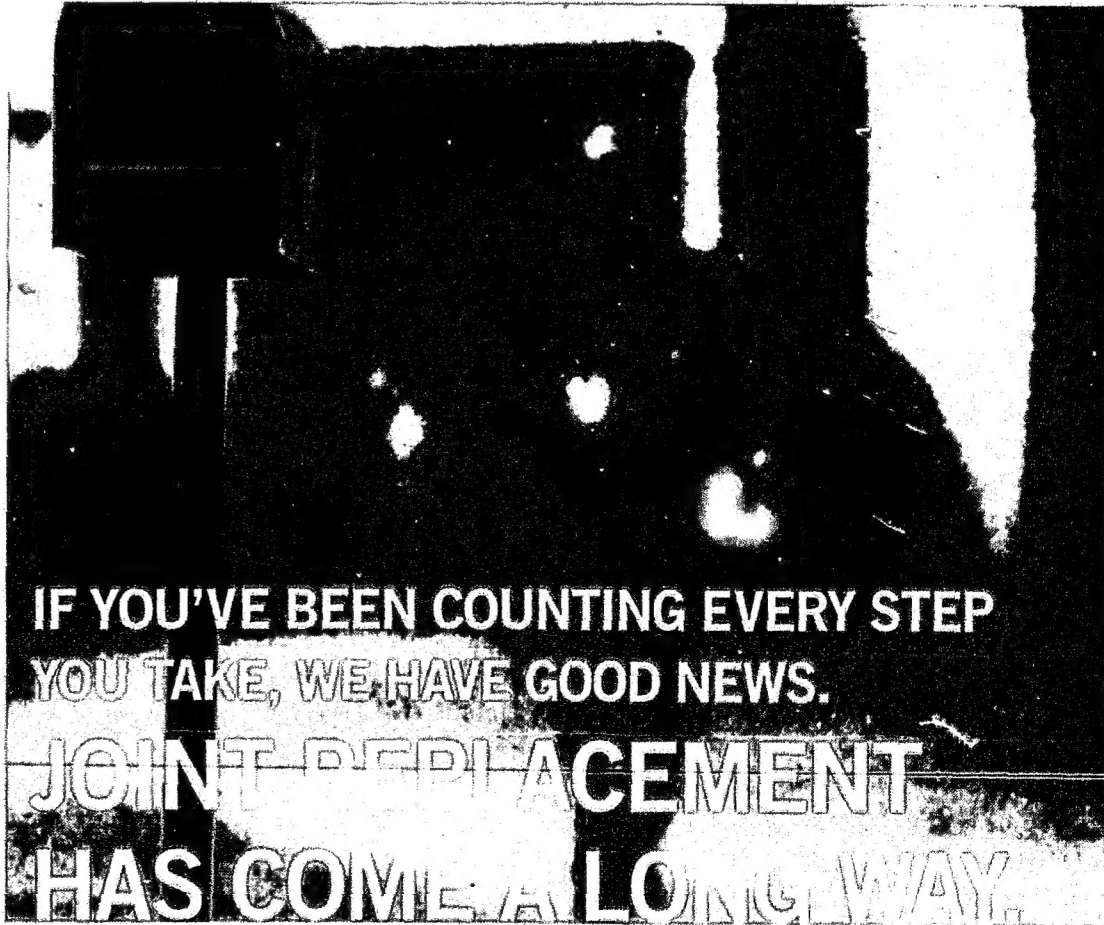
There is no cost to attend, but registration is required. To register, call (800) 852-3345, ext. 8560 or e-mail Linda at linda.l.lewis@dhhs.state.nh.us.



A GREAT DAY FOR DOGS—The K-9 Carnival held at the Bethel Animal Hospital Sunday raised \$2,300 through raffle tickets, a live auction, concessions and donations to benefit area animal shelters. Dogs and their people turned out for activities that included obedience and other demonstrations, homemade dog treats, a kissing booth and other displays. Top, dogs and humans watch a demonstration; inset, a Jack Russell Terrier plays tug-of-war; bottom, Justine Carver shares a moment with her dog, Heidi; as a couple listens to Jim Mann auction off jewelry items from his store, their bored Golden Retriever hopes for the dog entertainment to resume soon.

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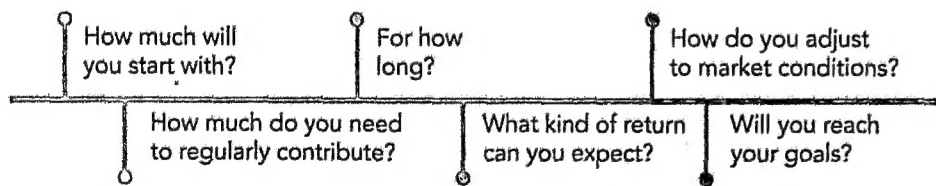


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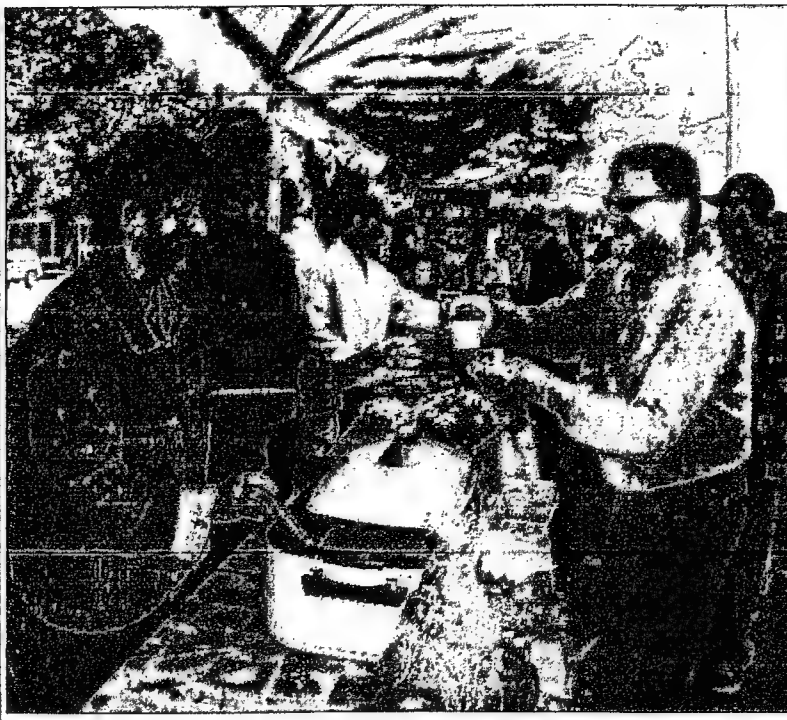
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HARVEST FEST 2009—A large crowd turned out Saturday on the Bethel common for Harvest Fest. Top left: a tourist from Ireland helps Stan Howe crank the cider press at the Bethel Historical Society. Center: Cheryl Mills of Bethel's Best Pizza Grille and Dairy Bar serves up chowder. Top right: Scott Stone carves with his chainsaw. Inset: a potato head scarecrow at Linda Clifford Scott's & Irish Merchant. Bottom: a long line winds around the common in the background, waiting to be served chowder. For more on the event, see Letter to the Editor, Page 2.
(Photos: Stone, Kathy Bennett; others, A. Aloisio)

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White Mountain National Forest

The Pemigewasset District Ranger on the White Mountain National Forest, Molly Fuller, has published her decision to proceed with the Pemigewasset Wilderness Suspension Bridge Removal Project. Removal of the 180-foot suspension bridge will begin on Sept. 21, 2009. While the project is underway, the bridge and the approaches to the bridge on both sides of the river will be closed to the public. The Wilderness Trail on the east and south side of the river will remain open and will incorporate a new short section of trail that bypasses the suspension bridge site.

Hikers on the Wilderness Trail on the west and north side of the river are advised to plan to use the trail only to access either Franconia Brook Trail or the Bondcliff Trail.

We are making every effort to inform visitors of the change in trail routes. All points within the Pemigewasset Wilderness Area are still accessible without crossing the East Branch of the Pemigewasset

River at the suspension bridge site. Visitors will need to plan ahead and, if leaving from the popular Lincoln Woods Trailhead, start on the same side of the river as their intended destination. A ford of the river at the bridge site is neither required for access nor recommended.

Following the removal of the suspension bridge, the I-beam bridge over Black Brook will also be removed and the 0.7-mile section of the Wilderness Trail between the Bondcliff Trail and the Wilderness Bridge will be decommissioned.

"This project will take a significant step toward managing the Pemigewasset Wilderness in accordance with guidance provided in the Wilderness Act of 1964," said Fuller. "Wilderness is an undeveloped area without permanent improvements and without structures or installations where visitors can encounter nature on its terms, complete with all of its accompanying challenges."

For additional information, please visit our website at: www.fs.fed.us/r9/forests/white_mountain/projects/projects/assessments/pemi_wilderness_bridge/pemi_bridge.

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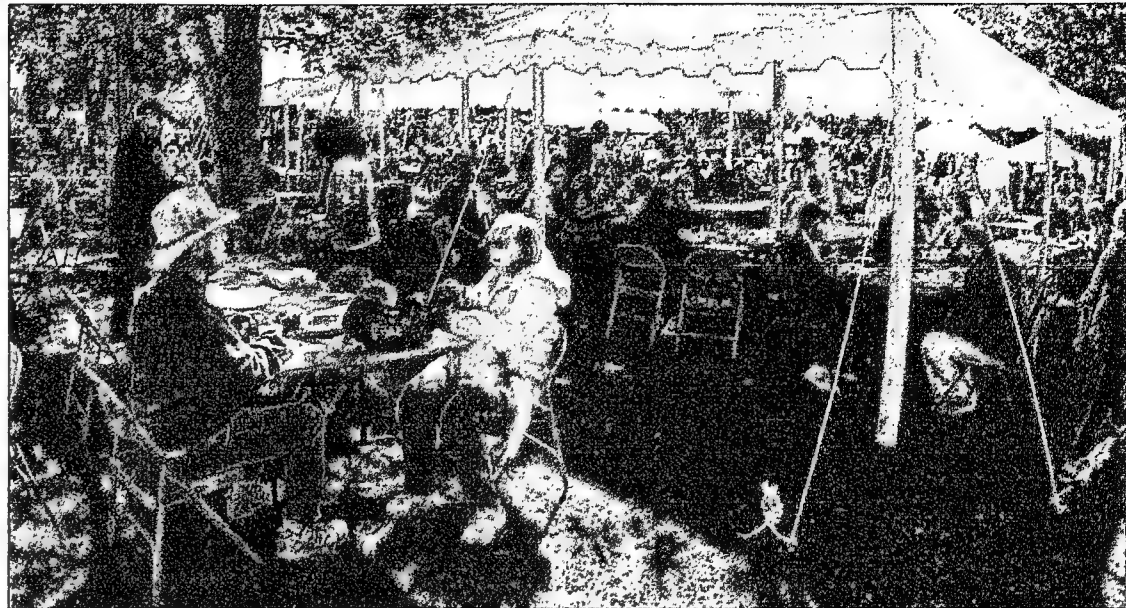
Sunday River Ski Resort

Sunday River is pleased to announce the promotion of Steve Boulanger to director of Ski Patrol. Boulanger has served on the Sunday River team for 11 years, the last eight of which he served as a ski patroller.

"We are extremely proud of Steve and look forward to the direction he will lead the ski patrollers in for this coming season," said Dana Bullen, general manager of Sunday River. "His experience, combined with his fresh outlook, is just what that department needs to continue its success."

This past summer, Boulanger served as the Bike Park manager for Sunday River and was instrumental in the design and implementation of the resort's new six miles of terrain—including two miles of much-needed beginner trail. This winter, Boulanger is excited to keep the resort's positive momentum going through his winter staff.

"I look forward to the ability to tailor the ski patrol department for better



results and efficiency," said Boulanger. "We had great success as a team last winter and to improve on that will be hard, but it is an exciting challenge and one I look forward to."

Steve will continue to serve as Sunday River's Bike Park manager through the remainder of summer and the resort's last day of summer operations on Sunday, Oct. 11. He will move into the director of Ski Patrol on Oct. 12.

For more information on Sunday River, visit www.sundayriver.com or call (800) 543-2SKI.

Sunday River celebrates its 50th Birthday on Dec. 19, 2009 with a kick-off party that will last all season long.

School Lunch

Week of Sept. 28

Telstar Lunches

Monday: Oven barbecued chicken, potato wedges, corn on the cob. Pizza choices, hot sandwich options.
Tuesday: Make your own sandwich bar. Cook's choice. Pizza choices, hot sandwich options.
Wednesday: Pizza sticks w/dipping sauce, blueberries and yogurt. Hot sandwich options.
Fruit and vegetable bar available daily. Four servings of fruits and vegetables available.

SAD44 Elementary Schools Lunches

Monday: Chicken tenders, potato wedges, baby carrots. PB&J uncrustable.
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Wednesday: Pizza sticks w/dipping sauce. PB&J uncrustable.
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Sports

High School Boys' Varsity Soccer

Telstar 7, Carrabec 0; Sept. 21— Telstar's Ethan Morin scored three goals, Tyler Brown 2, and Jacob Wakefield and Nick Mills one each. Morin, Brown and Casey Thornton each had assists. Dan Vaughn had five saves in goal.

Tilton 6, Gould 0; Sept. 19— Gould was able to improve throughout the game and will be able to use this first game as a learning experience. The players put forth an energetic and focused effort throughout the entire game. Antoine Dutil played extremely well in goal. He made several spectacular saves and was able to collect several hopeful through balls played forward by Tilton. David Wilde's determined energy allowed him to win several balls in midfield and effectively stretch the Tilton defense offensively.— from Gould sports reports

High School Boys' Varsity Soccer

Telstar 26, Sacopec 8; Sept. 21— Telstar's Mike Fitzmorris stepped up big for the team to play QB. On the third play of the game, Mike ran 53 yards for the first TD to make it 6-0. Kenny Haas picked up a fumble and rumbled in for the second TD of the game to make the score 12-0. Just before the half Mike Fitz scored the 3rd TD and Jacob Berry kicked the extra point to make the score 19-0 at the half. In the 3rd quarter Mike Fitz broke free for another TD and Jacob Berry kicked the extra point to make the score 26-0. On offense, Dawson Cole had a nice catch, Will Lyman had some great inside runs, Jacob Berry had some great outside runs, and Drew Wilson had a good 10 yard run. On defense, Derick Poland, Seth Shim, Isaac Burnham, Ricky Osgood, and Leo Buck all had great tackles in the game.— Coach Tim O'Connor

High School Varsity Field Hockey

Telstar 2, Hall-Dale 0; Sept. 21— Telstar scored a goal in each half. Amanda Wiley scored first with an assist from T.J. Cowin. T.J. then scored in the second half on an assist from Jamie Steven. The Rebels outcornered and outshot the Bulldogs 20-1. Great stops and passes from everyone kept the offensive game going strong. Nice show of team work.— Coach Gail Wight

Telstar 4, Dirigo 0; Sept. 16— Telstar scorers were Katie Sumner, Amanda Wiley, T.J. Cowin, and Kayla Merrill. Assisting on the scores were Kayla Merrill, Amanda Wiley, and Emma Davis. Stepping up and leading the defensive shut



ON THE RUN—At last weekend's cross-country meet at Gould Academy, Husky runners Andrew Nesbitt (left) and Nolan Dumont flanked Telstar runner Ben Lewis. (Photo: Pete Pontone, GA)

out were Mariah Bundy, Sam Largess, and Kayla Merrill.— Coach Gail Wight

High School J.V. Field Hockey

Telstar 0, Hall-Dale 0; Sept. 21— Telstar had many opportunities to score, taking 7 penalty corners and racking up many shots on goal, but just couldn't get it past the Hall Dale goalie. Heather Miller was crucial on defense, making many clears out of the circle. Great offensive pressure from Naomi Ellsworth, Jenna Putnam, Gaby Conrad, and Brianna Santos. Tabitha Corriveau made three saves in goal for Telstar.

Telstar 2, Georges Valley 2; Sept. 19— The JV field hockey experienced a 7 versus 7 game against Georges Valley. The team did a great job adjusting to playing with fewer players and with having more space to play on the field. Susan Newkirk scored the first goal for Telstar by redirecting a rebound past the goalie. During the second half, Jenna Putnam scored off a pass from Naomi Ellsworth. Hunter Verrill did a super job on the field by offering offensive and defensive support.— Coach Lori Davis

High School Golf

Telstar 6, Dirigo 1; Sept. 21— Trevor Kendall, Corey Howard, Devin Vail and Josh Krahn all won their matches. Trevor was medalist with a round of 45. The team is now 4-4 on the season.

Telstar 6, Georges Valley 1; Sept. 17— Telstar's Danny Whitney, Trevor Kendall, Corey Howard and Kyle Peterson all won their respective matches. Danny was medalist with a round of 42. Telstar is now 3-4 on the season.— Coach Jim Lunney

TMS J.V. Soccer

Telstar 5, Jay 0; Sept. 22— Telstar's Joseph Putnam scored two goals, with one each for Brendon Stearns, Grace Connors, and Caleb Clarke. Assists were by Caleb Clarke and Alex Leff. Another shut out in goal by Max Southam and Jeriah

Edwards. Great communicating, team work, and all out effort to control both sides of the ball all game long. Super effort— Coach Mark Kenney

Telstar 5, Carrabec 0; Sept. 18— Telstar's Alexandra Leff led the way with 3 goals, 1 goal and 1 assist by Caleb Clarke, and one goal by Max Southam. Assists by Brendan Stearns, Eliza Meile, and Jordan Pilgrim-Hanson. Max Southam and Jeriah Edwards combined for the shut out in goal with great defensive help from Aaron Speakman, Kyler Walker, and Zack Black limiting Carrabec to one shot on goal all game. A very commanding and impressive offensive effort by the Rebels with excellent passing, communication, and repeated shots on goal.— Coach Mark Kenney

TMS Varsity Soccer

Telstar 4, Jay 1; Sept. 22— Telstar goals were scored by Eric Lowell, Nik Conrad, and Josef Andrews with two. Alec Manning had two assists and Mitchell Lehman also had an assist. Great defense was played by Anna Saucier, Justin Stearns, and Nick Johnson.— Coach Greg Luetje

Telstar 3, Carrabec 0; Sept. 18— Telstar goals were scored by T.C. Wilson, Cathryn Haberman-Fake, and Nik Conrad. Josef Andrews had 2 assists. Great defense was played by Anna Saucier, Nick Johnson, Eric Lowell, and Justin Stearns. A great game was played by all.

TMS Varsity Field Hockey

Berlin 3, Telstar 0; Sept. 18— Telstar's Mariha Morin (center mid) and Kayla Verrill (sweep) really displayed how to back and cover, and they each show amazing power in their hits. August Abbott did an excellent job carrying the ball up the field in her left wing position. Andra did an excellent job in defense, with great stops and push passes out to the corners. Victoria Ryerson was fantastic in the goal, being quick on her feet and made some excellent saves. All of my defensive players had a workout this game, and I am proud of each of you.— Coach Tracy Morin

TMS J.V. Field Hockey

Telstar 3, Mountain Valley 1; Sept. 18— Telstar won their first game of the season with great team work. Excellent defense played by Sadie Ellsworth, Annie Cushman and Ani Inman. Way to back and cover. 2 goals in the first period, scored by Octavia Morin and August Abbott with assist by Haily Peterson. 1 goal during 2nd period scored by Haily Peterson with assist by Octavia Morin—Coach Amy Verrill

High School Cycling

Sept. 19—The Gould mountain bike team opened its season against the MAISAD schools at Maine Sport Outfitters in Camden. Gould has a very young team this year with Catherine Harnden (temporarily injured) as our only senior. All riders did well, meeting or exceeding expectations. The varsity riders did three laps of the course. Taylor Reis was our top rider scoring fifth in the varsity bracket behind four strong Camden riders. Luc Perreault was fourteenth in the varsity followed by Camden Varley-Harris in seventeenth place. In the JV, Nathan Kirsch finished eighth, Julius Besner was fourteenth, Kyle Curry was fifteenth, Zach Finnemore was seventeenth, Will Clapp was eighteenth, Izzy Cohen was nineteenth, Shane Love was twentieth first, James Abbott was twenty fifth, Abby Turner was twenty sixth, the fastest female rider of the day, John Drew was 28th, Max Southam (seventh grader) was 34th, Jackson Keough was 35th due to major mechanical difficulties, and Evan Fitzgerald was 39th. Cole Schreiber was unable to complete the race due to mechanical failures but has shown great potential so far this season. Jason Huang is also making great progress as our team's first Chinese rider. The team will spend this week preparing and riding on our home courses. Gould is set to host home races for the next two weeks on two different courses, one new to the Maine High School Circuit.— from Gould sports reports

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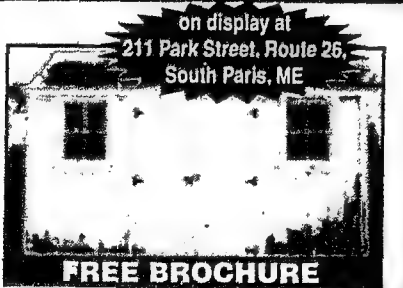
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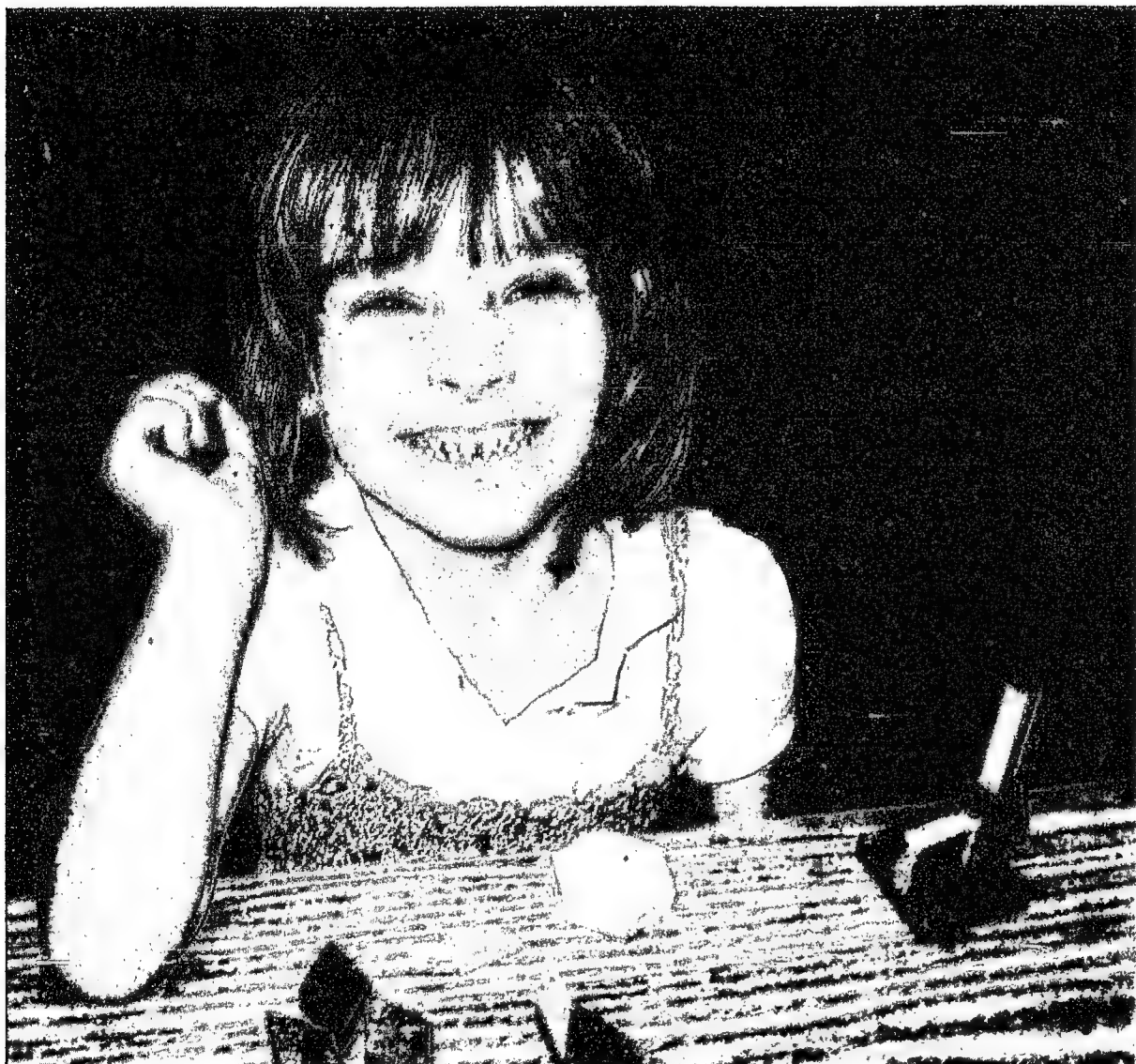
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School news from around the district



Left: Mrs. Smith's kindergarten pupils at CPS are learning about patterns and pattern blocks. Here, Felicity Indermuehle makes her masterpiece.



Right: CPS Kindergarten Annika Anderson celebrated her sixth birthday during the first week of school.



Telstar High School's Tony York runs in a recent cross-country meet held at the school.

Telstar High School Homecoming Schedule

Oct. 2 — 3:30 p.m. Field Hockey Game, J.V. and Varsity

Oct. 2 — Face painting on common, 6:10 p.m. until parade

Parade on Main Street at 7 p.m.

Bonfire (by cinema) until 9:10 p.m.

Oct. 3 — 11 a.m. Soccer, J.V. and Varsity

Oct. 3 — 1:30 p.m. Football Game

Oct. 3 — Homecoming Dance at Telstar, 8 to 11 p.m.
Singles \$8; couples \$15.



Grade 5 students from the Woodstock Elementary School at the 4H Camp in Bryant Pond. Pictured are Mason Phelps-Henley, Zach Whitney, Elijah Mason, Kaitlyn Billings, Cyrena Cox, Brayden Bean, and Marcus Wentworth work together to solve a problem and build their teamwork skills at the University of Maine's 4H camp. The students attended camp for 2 days to build leadership skills and learn about ecology.



Telstar's T.J. Cowin fires a shot on goal in a recent home field hockey game.

Telstar High School Parents

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Thursday, October 8, 4-7:30pm

Thursday, October 15, 4-7:30pm

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Events Calendar

9 a.m. to Noon - **Bethel Farmers Market**, every Saturday through Oct. 31 at Norway Savings Bank (Route 2 and Parkway). Locally grown and fresh: produce, beef, pork, poultry, breads, pies and other baked goods.

9:15 a.m. (Fridays) - **Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge** at Fare Share Food Coop, 443 Main Street, Norway. For more information, call Les Buzzell at 783-4153 or 754-9153; or e-mail: buzz116@myfairpoint.net.

6:30 p.m. Mondays - **Hillsmen Barbershop Chorus** rehearses at Catholic Church, Norway, New singers welcome. FMI: call Dr. Tere Porter 743-0656 evenings or Pat Fleck at 647-5005.

Every Wednesday, 7 to 9 p.m. **The Yet to be Named Banjo Club** practices Fare Share Market, 477 Main Street, Norway. Interested banjoists invited to join. Public welcome. FMI: call Alan Hamilton at 875-2680.

First and Third Wednesdays 9 to 12 a.m. - **Veterans' Advocate** will be at Maine Veterans' Home, South Paris on Sept. 2. Wednesdays 6 to 7:30 p.m. - **People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction** may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: call Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (all calls confidential).

Wednesday nights - **TOPS**, take off pounds sensibly, at Bethel Alliance Church from 5:30 to 6 p.m. (weigh in) and meeting from 6 to 6:30 p.m. All welcome. FMI: call 824-3288.

Wednesdays 10 to 11 a.m. - **Tai Chi** at Ellie's Express and 5 to 6 p.m. at Bethel Family Health Center. Taught by Betsey Foster, MPH. To register, contact Betsey at 875-2426 or BSF@megalink.net.

Thursdays 1 to 3 p.m. - **Cross Country Quilters** of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at Moses Mason House Barn, corner of Broad and Mason streets, Bethel. All quilters welcome. No dues, no rules, just fun. FMI: e-mail Pat McCartney at pquilts@yahoo.com or call Kathy Thrall at 824-3111.

Thursdays, 1:30 to 3 p.m. - **Cancer Wellness Support Group** support and education for cancer patients, survivors, caregivers at Rumford Hospital, Room 357 (2nd floor). Call (877) 836-7287 (toll free) to confirm during stormy weather.

Second Saturday of month, 6 p.m. - **Woodstock Historical Society** meeting at the Museum.

7 p.m. - **Bethel Snow Twisters** meet first Sunday, October thru April at 208 Walker's Mills Road.

At Harvest Gold Gallery

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Thursday, Sept. 24

Noon to 5 p.m. - **"Give Blood."** Telstar National Honor Society sponsoring American Red Cross Blood Drive at Telstar gymnasium. Call (800) GIVE-LIFE for appointment.

6 to 7 p.m. - **Open House and Book Fair** at Crescent Park School. Refreshments served.

Friday, Sept. 25

6 p.m. - **Dan Schall** concert at Pleasant Valley Bible Church, Flat Road, West Bethel. In his teens Dan endured severe speech impediment causing anger and resentment until he learned to release it in story and song. Refreshments follow. FMI: call 836-3006 or 836-2828.

6:30 p.m. - **Norway Open Mic Night** at First Universalist Church, 479 Main Street. Sign-up for performers begins

6:30 p.m. and open mic at 7 p.m. \$3 donation at door. Refreshments available. FMI: call Heather at 985-4505 or e-mail vesselrecordings@yahoo.com.

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 25, 26, 27
Gould Academy Alumni Weekend. Parade of classes Saturday 11:45 a.m.; noon, Alumni Luncheon, etc. FMI: call 824-7762 (Becky).

9 a.m. each day - **Common Ground Fair.**

Saturday, Sept. 26

8 a.m. to 1 p.m. - **Yard and Bake Sale** at Locke Mills Union Church. Tables for rent \$5 (call 875-2102 or 674-2259).

9 a.m. - **Bryant Pond Ladies Breakfast** at Crosstones Restaurant. Those who plan to attend please call Beth Hoover at 665-2171.

9 a.m. to 12 noon - **Weed and Feed** at McLaughlin Garden, South Paris. Dig in garden and get free lunch. FMI: 743-8820.

9 a.m. to 12 noon - **2009 Household Hazardous Waste Collection** at SAD44 Bus Barn (corner Main Street and Cross Street near railroad tracks) for residents of Bethel, Greenwood, Hanover, Newry and Woodstock, Rumford, Mexico, Andover, Byron, Canton, Dixfield, Peru, Roxbury. Free. FMI: call AVCOG at 783-9186 or visit www.avcog.org.

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - **Little Bits Consignments** Grand Opening/One Year Anniversary Celebration, 175 Walker's Mills Road, next to Bethel Animal Hospital. Bounce House, Face Painting, Games and more. FMI: 824-4008.

7 p.m. - **Gilead Special Town Meeting** at Town Hall. Warrent: Flood Plain Ordinance and Transfer Station.

Sunday, Sept. 27

9:30 a.m. - **American Heart Association Heart Walk** will lead walkers onto Rumford's Hosmer Field. Anyone interested in walking in the Heart Walk may call Community Relations at Rumford Hospital, 369-1143, to learn what organizations are fielding teams. For general information go to www.centralmaineheartwalk.org.

1 to 4 p.m. - **"The Fall Harvest"** presented by Lovell Historical Society is a family program on old-time harvesting practices in the area. Cider press demo, petting zoo, free pumpkin painting for children, tool exhibit in barn, bake sale, performance by "Birds on a Wire" and more. Free and open to public.

2 p.m. - **East Bethel Church Service** with Ben Conant.

Monday, Sept. 28

6:30 p.m. - **Waterford Library Bridge Group** meeting.

Tuesday, Sept. 29

6 p.m. **Public Workshop** hosted by Andover librarian Janet Farrington to help people applying for Social Security be able to apply online.

Tuesdays, Sept. 29, Oct. 6, 13

7:30 to 8:30 p.m. - **Ballroom Dance Class** at Greenwood Town Hall. Donation: \$25. All proceeds go to Bethel Food Bank. FMI: call 665-2788.

Wednesday, Sept. 30

1 to 2 p.m. - **Nature Smart Craft Program**, making mosaic pictures of material found in nature, at First Universalist Church, Main Street, West Paris. Materials provided. Public invited at no charge.

Thursday, Oct. 1

4:30 to 6:30 p.m. - **Down Home Maine** fall meeting features Gil Whitham, Bryant Pond, at Bethel Congregational Church to discuss "A Sculptor's Life - A work in Progress." Open to public without charge. Donations will be accepted. FMI: call Peter Gartner (665-2181) or Seabury Lyon (836-2576).

Friday, Oct. 2

9 a.m. to noon - **Preserving the Harvest Workshop** at Uni-

versity of Maine Cooperative Extension, 9 Olson Road, South Paris. Materials fee: \$10. FMI or to register: call (space limited): 743-6329 or (800) 287-1482.

First North Country Veterans Conference at Gorham, N.H., American Legion, for veterans, service members and families and military and civilian agencies, legislators, community advocates and anyone who would like to learn more about veteran resources and supports in the North Country. Free but registration required. FMI: call (800) 852-3345 Ext. 8560 or e-mail Linda at Linda.l.lewis@dhhs.state.nh.us.

5 to 8 p.m. - **Frost Farm Gallery**, 272 Pikes Hill, Norway, "First Friday" reception, meet and greet the artist. Featured will be "Swift River Treasures: Original Naturalist Works by Betsy Bell." Live acoustic music by Brad Hooper. FMI: 743-8041.

Friday and Saturday, Oct. 2 and 3

Telstar Homecoming weekend.

Saturday Oct. 3

2 to 4 p.m. - **Mahoosuc Land Trust** celebrates donation of conservation easement on First Mountain, Shelburne, N.H. with donors Larry Ely and Ginger Lawson in Shelburne Town Park (Shelburne Town Hall if inclement weather). Public invited. Apple crisp and cider. Climb Joe's Ledges on First Mountain or hike along Androscoggin River. (Hikers e-mail ginlawson@aol.com or call 415-4933 if interested).

Sunday, Oct. 4

10th annual Lumberjack Festival and Competition at Northern Forest Heritage Park. Gates open 10 a.m. Admission: \$5 for adults, children free when with adult. FMI: (603) 7202 or e-mail heritage@ncia.net or visit www.northernforestheritage.org.

2 p.m. - **Public Dedication Ceremony and Social Hour** at Albany Town House. It is a celebration of the building being placed on National Registry of Historic Places. Speakers, refreshments, historic displays.

7 p.m. - **Windy Valley Snowmobile Club** meeting at Newry Town Office. New agenda at Town Office.

Monday, Oct. 5

6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - **Socrates Café** meets a Waterford Library. Topic: Economic Uncertainty, Peak Oil, Climate Change: How Do We Prepare for the Triad? FMI: call 583-6957.

Tuesday, Oct. 6

10:30 to 11:30 a.m. - **Homeschool Open House**, at Norway Memorial Library, 258 Main Street. Meet parents/children of area homeschooling families, swap ideas, enjoy refreshments and a craft activity, and plan future gatherings. FMI or registration, call 743-5309.

7 p.m. - **Oxford County Mining** focus of talk by Vandall King, author of "Maine Feldspar, Families and Feuds: Oxford County Mining History" at Norway Library. Book available for purchase (\$49.95) at Books N Things and Norway Memorial Library. FMI: 743-5309.

Wednesday, Oct. 7

6:30 p.m. - **Franklin Grange 124**, Bryant Pond hosts Oxford County Grange 2 for their meeting. Potluck supper/with meeting following. Visitors welcome. Interested persons may call secretary at 824-3393.

Wednesdays, Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28

6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - **Oxford Hills Chapter of SCORE** workshops in Business Planning for Business start-ups at Oxford Hills Comprehensive School, 256 Main Street, South Paris. Workshops: A Business Plan, Oct. 7; Marketing, Oct. 14; Cash Flow Projection, Oct. 21; Financing A Small Business, Oct. 28. Fee: \$50 for four-session workshop includes one business partner or spouse. FMI and required advance registration call 743-8914, Ext. 1.

It's always wise to call ahead

Listings in The Citizen's weekly Community Calendar are compiled from a wide variety of sources. While we do our utmost to ensure the reliability of the information presented here, we recognize that when dealing with such a large volume of material, some inaccuracies will occasionally creep in. And in other cases, a sponsoring organization's plans may change between the time The Citizen is printed and the event is held.

Accordingly, we strongly urge our readers to call ahead to verify the details of any event they plan to attend. Doing so will greatly reduce the chance of disappointment or needless inconvenience.

Support Services

ABUSED WOMEN'S ADVOCACY PROJECT

AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 869-0750; Norway office 743-5086; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

AA MEETINGS

Bethel Freedom Group's Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's 12 Step/Traditions Meeting. Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street.

Bethel Freedom Group's Open Discussion Meeting. Fridays at 6pm at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street; and Saturdays (Thanksgiving through April 1) at 4pm at Sunday River South Ridge Base Lodge, third-floor human resources conference room.

ADDICTION HELP

Narconon, a nonprofit public benefit organization that specializes in helping people with drug or alcohol addictions offers FREE assessments and more than 11,000 local referrals through the 800 line. Drug addiction can be overcome and Narconon can help. Call (800) 556-8885 or visit www.drugrehab.net.

CANCER WELLNESS

Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Every Thursday, 1:30-3:00pm. Rumford Hospital, Room 357. (877) 836-7287. Call to confirm during stormy weather.

EXCHANGES

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday 1-4pm, Thursday 4-6pm and Saturday, 10am-12pm.

The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service Center offers assistance to individuals or families with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Sumner areas are invited to call 674-2566, 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more details.

HELP FOR THE HOMELESS

Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a transitional living program for youth 18-21, homeless youth outreach and case management services for adults and children. Emergency shelter includes the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and children in crisis, and the Stafford Ave. Family Center in Rumford. To make a referral or request help in the South Paris area, call 744-4031 or call 869-9439 for help in the Rumford area M-F 8a-4p. For more information on Rumford Group Homes, Inc. call 364-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

MENTAL ILLNESS

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5pm; Tuesday 9am-2pm; Wednesday 9am-8pm; Wednesday 3-6pm; Friday 2-7pm; Saturday 11am-4pm. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8am-4pm. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

POST PARTUM

"Meet the Midwives" meets from 5-6:30 every first Tuesday of the month, and the Post Partum Support Group meets every fourth Wednesday of the month from 6:30-7:30. The meetings take place at Blue Moon Midwives, 176 Main Street, Norway, directly across from Stephen's Memorial Hospital. For more information, call 207-739-2800 or visit www.bluemoonmidwives.com

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

VETERANS' SERVICES

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, first Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Career Center in Rumford (364-3718), second Thursday 9-12 noon; Lewiston (795-4590), 29 Westminster St., 7:30am to 4pm, Monday thru Friday, Location: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15pm. Tel. 392-4841.

Church Services

ALBANY

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30am. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9am; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI - 392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff. Sunday School 9:30-10:30; Morning worship 10:45-noon. Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Rt. 5, South Andover. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - Rev. Kevin Bellinger, Pastor; Jim Rose, Youth Pastor. Sundays: Sunday school for adults and children at 9 a.m.; Worship Service at 10 a.m.; Kidz Klub (4 yrs.-5th grade) and High School Youth Group (6th-12th grade) at 6:30 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group (6th-8th grade) at 5 p.m. For more information, call 824-2289.

Church of the Nazarene - Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. morning worship. Wednesday evening service in different locations. Call for info. 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7289 FMI.

West Parish Congregational - Rev. Virginia Rickenham. 10 a.m. worship, child care available. Prayer, Tuesday, 8 a.m. FMI call 824-6550.

Our Lady of the Snows - Saturday mass at 6 p.m. Rev. Angelo Leveseur. 364-4556.

United Methodist - Geoffrey Cross, Pastor. 10:30 a.m. Sunday worship. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

West Bethel Union - Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. For information, call 836-3533 or 836-2882. Rev. John Williams.

Pleasant Valley Bible - Pastor Aaron McNally. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9am; Worship Service, 10am; Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30pm; Prayer meeting Tuesday 6pm; Awana clubs follow school-year calendar. FMI 836-3006 or 824-2037.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Sunday: Bible class, 9 a.m.; Worship Service 10 a.m. Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m. 824-3577 FMI.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. For more info, call 824-8393.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9am, followed by Bible Study at 9:15am.

GORHAM, NH

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul Levigen.

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 a.m., Sunday service

10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m. FMI 603-466-2651.

Gorham Congregational Church - Interim minister Rev. Kent Schneider. Sunday morning worship and church school at 10:30am. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI 603-466-2136.

HARRISON

Bolster's Mills United Methodist Church - Bolster's Mills Road, Harrison. Rev. Walter R. Brown, Pastor. Sunday worship at 8:45 a.m. Church school 10:15 a.m. for kids kindergarten - grade 12. Call 583-9024 or 998-7040 for more info.

LOCKE MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sondra Withers. Sunday morning service will begin at 9 a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome.

MEXICO

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints - 265 Main Street. Worship Service Sundays at 10am. Pres. Peter Beckel. 364-5881.

NEWRY

Sunday River Christian Ministry - with Rev. Don Coverdale. Interdenominational church services on the mountain: Special services: Fall Festival weekend - Oct. 11 on the deck of North Peak Lodge; New Time Alert: 9:00 a.m.; services will be announced soon. For current information: 824-5886.

NORWAY/PARIS

First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd/Rt. 118 (corner to Norway County Club), Norway. Call 824-4099 FMI or ride.

Trinity Lutheran Church - Route 117, S. Paris. Pastors Kim Marie and Tom Myhre. Sunday School at 9am; Sunday morning service 10:15 a.m. with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship. Bible Study, Wednesdays 7 p.m.

North Paris Federation - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m., Pastor Bruce Tyner. 674-2968. Singers perform third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m.

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office. Call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012 for more information.

Christ Episcopal Church - 35 Paris St., Sunday Services 9 a.m., June-Aug.; Sunday School at 10 a.m. Informal worship at 5 p.m. Sundays. Healing service with communion 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Rev. Anne Stanley. Call 743-6782 for more information.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill. 10:30 a.m. worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake.

St. Catherine's: Saturday 6 p.m.

Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass. Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway - 11am worship. (Sept - June) Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11am-12:15pm. FMI 743-2828.

OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass. Our Lady of Ransom: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RUMFORD

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church - Holy Communion, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Tim Parsons, Priest-in-charge. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the rotary.

RUMFORD CENTER

Praise Assembly of God - Pastor Justin Thacker. Adult and teen Sunday school 9am. Sunday worship service at 10am. Sunday prayer meeting at 6pm. Wednesday night bible study and youth group 7pm. 170 Andover Road. FMI call 964-3856 or see our website at www.praiseassemblyofgod.net.

RUMFORD POINT

Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Sondra Withey.

SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational - Linda Kibball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

WEST PARIS

Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris - 9 a.m. worship. Rev. Richard Beal. 674-2143.

West Paris Baptist - Sunday Worship 9:15 am., Bruce Tyner, Pastor. Sunday School Preschool thru kindergarten 9:45am, Sunday School Grades 1-6, 10:25am. Sunday evening worship 7:00 p.m.; Monday Disconnection meeting first Monday of the month; Tuesday ladies fellowship meets the fourth Tuesday of every month. Tea & Toys Time Bi-Weekly 9:30-11:30am, Adult Choir Wednesday evenings, Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer 7pm, church business meetings the third Wednesday of the month.

West Paris Congregational Church - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m.

WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Larry Hodgkins, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6:00 p.m.; Wednesdays: Prayer & bible study 6:30 p.m.; Fridays: Youth Group 7-12th grade, 6:30pm.

Woodstock Seventh day Adventist - Pastor Richard Wright (207-787-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinkhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock) - Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends - a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers) - Sundays, 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Newcomers welcome. Call Dick Stratton at 824-8669 FMI.

Library Hours

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturday 1-4:30 pm; Thursday 1-4:30 & 6-8 pm. Tel: 392-4841

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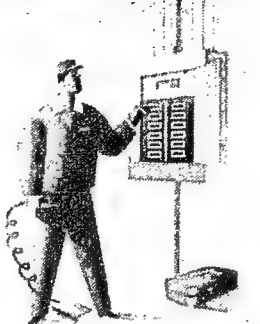
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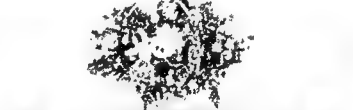
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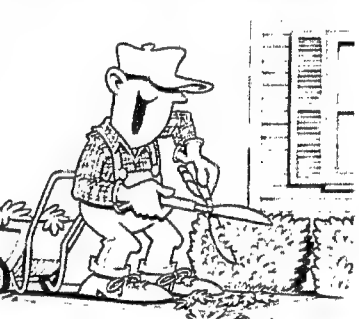
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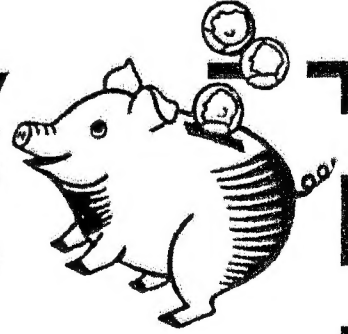
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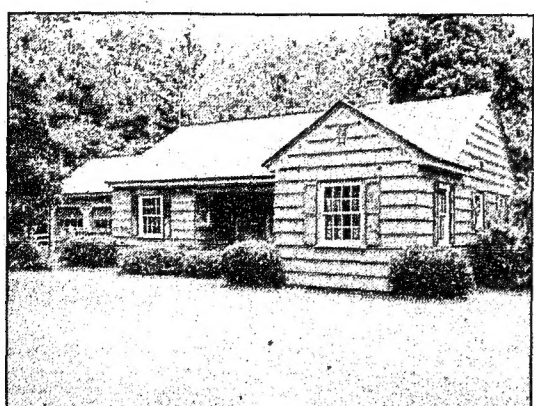
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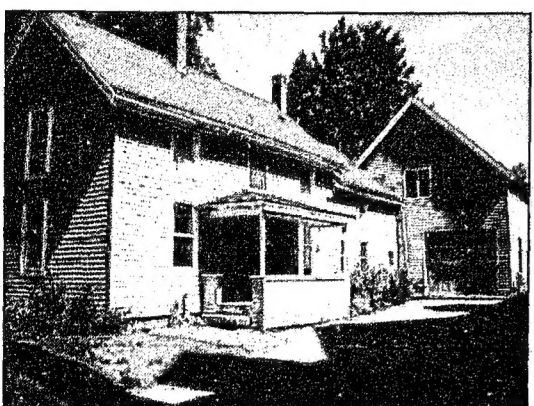
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Sunday River Estates #2

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Jerry K's Korner on the Market! (soon to be syndicated)
 So Ben, did you enjoy your Labor Day Holiday with me?
 Yeah, Jerry, it was swell! Couldn't ask for better weather; however, the typical American Laborer has been doing sooooo much for very little compensation, especially as of late. The financial losses of the American people, particularly those in the middle class have been horrific in the last year, while the uber rich get richer and the government favored "bail-out" enterprises thrive.
 Toughen Up, Ben! Nobody promised anyone a rose garden. Besides which, now's the time to gather up lemons and make lemonade! As I have repeatedly stated during the last several months, there are DEALS out there for the Savvy! Why, take the North Pond area, for instance... Camps no longer get listed and they are under contract, like the two on the Old Gore Road. And how about that charming new listing on North Pond with 170' of beautiful sandy frontage? Yeah, that special property neighbors that of the very popular local crooner, whose voice is "like velvet". Imagine waking up to his soothing tones? You're right, Jerry, there are great deals out there!

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33 Billings Hill Road, Woodstock:

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49 Paradise Rd. Bethel

6 BRs - 3 baths sleeps 14 \$13,850

Obituaries

JOHN S. BROWN

John S. Brown, 60, of Buckfield, went home to be with his Lord and Savior Sept. 8, 2009 surrounded by his family.

He was born in North Paris on Aug. 14, 1949 the son of Clyde and Frances (Russell) Brown Sr. John grew up in Buckfield and started working as a teenager at Prince Farms in Turner where he learned to care for apple trees.

He met his wife Helen-Jean (Powell) during apple harvest of 1968. They married on Dec. 27, 1968.

Throughout his life he made a career of apples, having worked at Prince's Farms and Greenwoods Orchards in Buckfield, Lipman's Orchard in Winthrop, Norinsburg Orchard in Cornwall, Vt., Rowe's of Newport, Chicks of Monmouth and Coopers of Turner.

He loved fishing, hunting, camping and being with his family and also enjoyed being with his family at Grace Fellowship Church in Oxford.

He will be greatly missed by his beloved wife of over 40 years, his son and daughter and their families.

He is survived by his wife, Helen-Jean of Buckfield; his son, John and his wife Melissa of Buckfield; daughter, Susan and partner Dawn of Buckfield; grandchildren, John III of Virginia, Georgia and Jacob of Nebraska, Megan, Taylor and Kaleb of Buckfield; and Daniel Boone of Buckfield; sisters, Rosalie and her husband Henley James of Florida and Nyoka and her husband Wayne Nixon of Florida; brothers, William and wife Faye of Kingfield, Clyde and his wife Donna of Sumner and Mike and

his wife Diane of Canton; and several nieces and nephews. John was predeceased by his parents, Clyde and Frances Brown of Buckfield.

A memorial service was held at the Grace Fellowship Church of Oxford on Sunday, Sept. 20, 2009 with Pastor Lloyd Waterhouse officiating. Memorials in John's memory are suggested to the Grace Fellowship Church, Oxford, Maine. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.andrewsgreenleaf.com.

RUTH A. COX

Ruth A. Cox, 86, formerly of Abbotts Mills, died Thursday, Sept. 17, 2009 at Market Square Health Care Center, South Paris.

She was born on Mollycokett Mt., South Woodstock, on Oct. 1, 1922, the daughter of Sidney Russell and Leah Beck. She went to school in Rumford. She liked to sew, make fancy cakes and work in her flower gardens. She was the founder of the New England Home Junk Museum at Abbotts Mills.

She married Emery Albert Cox on June 19, 1937. Albert died Jan. 22, 1980. She and her husband had been the sextons of the Abbotts Mills and Rumford Corner cemeteries.

She is survived by two daughters, Martha Ricker of Bryant Pond and Peggy Williams of Carlisle, Pa.; a son, Richard Cox of Norway; a brother, James H. Russell; a half-sister, Mary Lou St. John of Norway; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild. She was predeceased by four half-brothers, Robert Chamberlain, Wilbur Chamberlain, Louis MacDonald and Archie MacDonald, Jr.

Her family would like to thank Ruth Jean Howe for the excellent care that she gave to her grandmother; her grandfather would be very proud of her for taking care of her grandmother.

Graveside services were held Monday, Sept. 21 at the Abbotts Mills Cemetery in Rumford. Online condolences may be shared with her family at www.westonchandler.com.

CAROL J. FISKE

Carol Johnson Fiske, daughter of Curt and Gladys Johnson, died on Sept. 7, 2009 in Portland, Maine of Ovarian Cancer. Her children, Todd, Bob and Sarah and her partner Chris Thacher survive her, and mourn her passing deeply.

She was born Carol Alma Johnson, on Aug. 11, 1937 in Endicott, N.Y., and raised in Vental, N.Y. She earned a BA in psychology at Skidmore in 1959, and followed her passion for music to voice training at Boston University. She received her master's in Education from Lesley College in Boston in 1988.

Married to Francis Fiske, Jr. in 1961, begetting Francis III (Todd) in 1962, Robert Redington in 1964, and Sarah Hopkins Fiske in 1968.

From 1973 through 1990, Carol directed the Theater Program at Gould Academy in Bethel, Maine, leaving a legacy of moving performances and engaged, ennobled students who continue to share with our family how much that experience and her tutelage affects their lives to this day.

Carol built four houses with her family over the years, in Stoneham, Bethel and Stow, Maine, and was ever-busy with graph paper, designing structures, laying out room spaces and otherwise expanding and refitting her world for sensible flows and good balance.

From her mother Gladys and grandmother Sarah she inherited a series of skills in fabric arts, and kept knitting needles, sewing machines and weaver's looms working

regularly as she churned out clothes, bags, napkins, tarpaulins, stuff-sacks, birthday favors, shawls, mittens, curtains and pillows to further see that her world and her loved ones were comfortable, colorful and complete.

A Memorial Service will be held at 2 p.m. on Oct. 24 at the First Parish Church in Portland, Maine. All are invited. Please wear bright colors and contact Sarah Fiske Williams (stwill68@gmail.com) if you feel you want to share something formally at the service.



ALTON G. HATHAWAY

Alton Gibbs Hathaway Sr., 76, of Macclenny, Fla., died on Sept. 13, 2009.

He was born in Rumford, Maine, to the late Lester Hathaway and Ismay Jackson Hathaway on April 2, 1933 and was a resident of Baker County for the last 12-1/2 years after moving from Jacksonville. He was a member of First Christian Church of Macclenny.

Mr. Hathaway served honorably in the U.S. Navy and retired from General Motors after 35 years. He attended church and worked with the nursing home ministry. He loved playing golf, hunting, fishing, playing the autoharp and bluegrass music. He was predeceased by brother T.R. Hathaway and sister Beatrice Judkins.

He is survived by his wife, Pat Hathaway of Macclenny; his children: Al (Beverly) Hathaway Jr. of Orange Park; Cindy (Bobby) Smith of Daytona Beach and Annette (Doug) Allen of Glen St. Mary; brothers, Ellsworth (Joyce) Hathaway

of West Paris and John (Althea) Hathaway; sisters, Alice (Ken) McInnis, Lois (Roy) Day and his twin sister, Ann Bickford, all of Maine; grandchildren, Tabitha and Jeremy Smith, Ashley and Sarah Hathaway and Staci and Shelley Allen; numerous nieces and nephews.

The funeral service was held on Wednesday, Sept. 16, in the chapel of V. Todd Ferreira Funeral Services with Pastor John Morgan officiating. Interment followed in Taylor Cemetery, Visit www.ferreirafuneralservices.com to sign the family's guest book.

DOROTHY C. P. MARTIN

Dorothy "Dot" C. Parsons Martin, 85, of South Paris, passed away Saturday, Sept. 19, 2009 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, after a long battle with Pulmonary Fibrosis.

She was born Nov. 3, 1923, on Mable Street in Portland, to Clarence and Edith Getchell Parsons. She was educated in South Paris schools and lived on the same block of Pearl Street and Western Avenue in South Paris for approximately 75 years of her life, 53 in the same house. She married her sweetheart, Rodney D. Martin, in West Paris on Feb. 16, 1942.

Besides being a great wife and mother she was a caregiver for many years to many people, retiring when she was 80 years old. She took great pleasure in all aspects of food from growing it to preparing and serving it and she was considered a great cook by all that sampled her cooking. She was a member of the Deering Memorial United Methodist Church in South Paris.

She is survived by her five children, Dennis, Edward and Christopher, all of South Paris, Doty Poirier of West Paris and Gail Gallant of Lakeland, Fla.; her grandchildren, Rodney Martin Welch of Woodstock, Phoebe Butlin and Megan Martin of Rhode Island, Michelle Poirier of South Paris, Michael Poirier of Harrison, Kimberly and Monica Martin of South Paris; and six great-grandchildren. She is also survived by two sisters, Clarice Denney of Fryeburg and Jacqueline Edwards of South Paris; and a brother, Richard Parsons of

Oxford; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her parents; her oldest son, Rodney D. Martin Jr., in 1963; her husband in 1985; and a brother, Peter P. Parsons, in 2008.

Family and friends may attend memorial services on Sunday, Sept. 17, at 2 p.m. at Deering Memorial United Methodist Church, South Paris. In lieu of flowers, those who wish may make donations in her memory to the church. Online condolences may be shared with her family at www.westonchandler.com.

CHARLES W. JACKSON

Charles W. Jackson, 71, of the 1100 block of Toler Place, Norfolk, Va., passed away on Sunday, Sept. 20, 2009.

A native of Norfolk, Charles retired as Lieutenant Colonel in 1993 and was a retired professor for Old Dominion University. He was a member of Optimist International and American Legion Post 35.

The Jacksons built a home in Newry in 1981 and have spent their summers there ever since. Charlie enjoyed taking friends and family canoeing and tubing down the Androscoggin River, hiking and "moosing." He loved entertaining friends, cooking on the grill and smoking salmon.

He is survived by his wife, Christina W. Jackson; two daughters, Grace Kirchgessner and husband John Poteat and Charlotte White and husband Eric, all of Chapel Hill, N.C.; four grandchildren, Max and Olivia Poteat, Aja, and Kai White, all of Chapel Hill, N.C.; two sisters, Ruth Biggs of Williamston, N.C., and Frances McClendon and husband James of Chesapeake; and many, nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

A memorial service will be conducted at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 24, at Hollo-mon-Brown Funeral Home, Tidewater Drive Chapel with Rev. Ernest L. Trueblood officiating. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to, Mahoosuc Land Trust, mahoosuc.org, 207-624-3806, P.O. Box 981, Bethel, Maine 04217. Condolences may be offered to the family at www.hollo-mon-brown.com.



PUBLIC HEARING
Pursuant to Title 28 MRSA 252 - a notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held on October 5, 2009 at the Bethel Town Office to consider a Liquor License renewal from Pat's Pizza located at 37 Mayville Rd. and a Liquor License Application from the Foothills Grille & Catering Co. located at 186 Main St. Public comment will be heard at that time. Prior to the hearing date written comment may be issued to the Bethel Town Office or email at info@bethelmaine.org
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OXFORD HILLS COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL ~ SOUTH PARIS
BENEFIT RESPONSIBLE PET CARE
BIDDING 5 PM TO 6:30 PM
DRAWING OF WINNERS 6:30 PM
tickets \$5, \$10, & \$20/also bonus tickets
OVER 200 GREAT ITEMS
FOOD/REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE

Town of Greenwood Board of Appeals Meeting
October 1, 2009, 4:00pm
Greenwood Town Office
Topic: Road Setback Variance Request, Howe Hill Road Map U09- Lot 21 & 22
Copies of Plan are Available at the Greenwood Town Office

JUNK CARS WANTED
Cash Paid
Free Removal
Call Gaudreau's Repair
824-2807

Grand Opening / One Year Anniversary Celebration!
Saturday, Sept. 26, 10 AM - 4 PM
Bounce House • Face Painting Games & More!
ALL WEEK 30% Off Everything for 0 to 12 months
Clothes, Shoes & Gear!
175 Walker's Mills Road
Next to Bethel Animal Hospital ~ Gently Used Children's Clothing
Open Wed.-Sat. 10 to 4 - **824-4008**

Gibson Orchards
55 Gibson Road, Bethel ~ 836-2972
OPEN DAILY 9AM - DUSK UNTIL NOV. 30th
PICK YOUR OWN LOW SPRAY APPLES
Bring your own containers
Over 40 Varieties of apples - Dwarf and Semi-Dwarf Trees
Smooth flat ground, no tall trees, no carrying, handicapped accessible, driver right into orchard.
All Natural Fresh Pressed Cider
Maine Maple Syrup
Gib Bees Honey
Take North Road past airport, go 4 miles to Gibson Road, go to end of road

Bridget's School of Dance
Mondays - High School/Adult Hip Hop Class 6:30 - 7:30
NEW! Adult Beginner Tap Class Thurs. @ 7:30 pm • Starting Oct. 1st
Location: Crescent Park School Preschool-Adults (All Dance Subjects)
FMI: 824-2875
Please Leave a Message. DIRECTOR Bridget Whitman

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Campers, snowmobiles, motorcycles, ATV's, boats AND watercraft.
Free winter storage for big jobs - is your camper roof leaking? Is your motorcycle knocking?
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Club and organization news
The deadline for clubs and organizational items is noon Monday, but earlier submission is appreciated.
All news articles should be typed or printed legibly, and include the name and daytime telephone number of a contact person.
Photos: When submitting photographs, please identify the nature and date of the activity, the names of everyone shown in the photograph, and the name of the photographer. Please also provide the name and telephone number of a contact person.
Submissions can be dropped off at The Citizen office (behind the Bethel Town Office) or mailed to P.O. Box 109, Bethel, ME, 04217. During non-business hours, items can be placed in the mailbox outside our office. For further information, call 824-2444.
News and photos can also be submitted by e-mail: news@bethelcitizen.com.

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